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(57) Abstract

Synthetic methods for lactone–containing compounds such as the discodermolides are provided, as are compounds which mimic the chemical and/or biological activity thereof, and methods and intermediates useful in their preparation.

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SYNTHETIC TECHNIQUES AND INTERMEDIATES FOR POLYHYDROXY, DIENYL LACTONE DERIVATIVES

CROSS-REFERENCED RELATED APPLICATION

This Application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/759,817, filed December 3, 1996.

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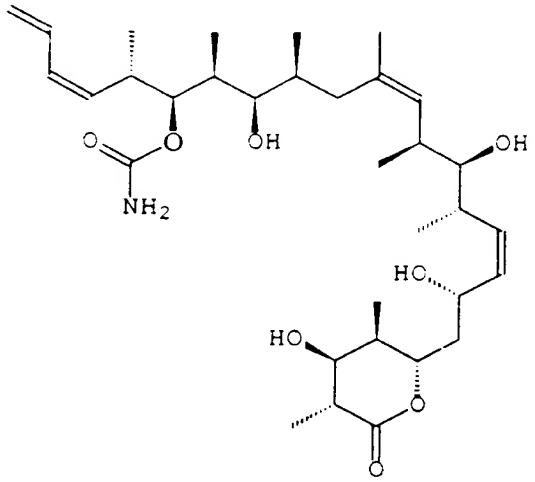
FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to lactone-containing compounds such as discodermolide, to compounds which mimic the chemical and/or biological activity thereof, and to methods and intermediates useful in their preparation.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

In 1990, Gunasekera and co-workers at the Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute reported the isolation of (+)-discodermolide (**1**), an architecturally novel metabolite of the marine sponge *Discodermia dissoluta* (0.002% w/w). (*See*, Gunasekera, *et al.*, *J. Org. Chem.* **1990**, *55*, 4912. Correction: *J. Org. Chem.* **1991**, *56*, 1346).



(+)-1

Initial studies revealed that (+)-discodermolide suppresses both the two-way mixed-lymphocyte reaction and the concanavalin A-induced mitogenesis of murine splenocytes in vitro with no associated cytotoxicity. Moreover, (+)-**1** suppresses the *in vivo* graft-vs.-host splenomegaly response induced by injection of parental splenocytes into F1 recipient mice, with potency intermediate between those of cyclosporin A and FK506. (Longley, *et al.*, *Transplantation* **1991**, *52*, 650; Longley, *et al.*, *Transplantation* **1991**, *52*, 656; Longley, *et al. Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci.* **1993**, *696*, 94). These findings stimulated the recent discovery that (+)-**1** arrests cell development at the M phase by binding and stabilizing mitotic spindle microtubules; thus discodermolide resembles taxol in its mode of action, but the microtubule binding affinity of **1** is much higher. (ter Haar, *et al.*, *Biochemistry* **1996**, *35*, 243; Hung, *et al.*, *Chemi.& Biol.* **1996**, *3*, 287). These and other results suggest that (+)-discodermolide holds considerable promise as an anticancer agent. The scarcity of natural material however has precluded a complete evaluation of its biological profile.

The absolute configuration of discodermolide remained undefined until Schreiber et al. synthesized both antipodes of **1**. (Nerenberg, *et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, *115*, 12621; Hung,

et al., *Chem. & Biol.* **1994**, *1*, 67). Interestingly, the unnatural (-) antipode also displays significant immunosuppressant activity.

There is, therefore, a need for improved synthetic methods for the preparation of polyhydroxy, dienyl lactones such as the discodermolides, as well as a need for compounds having similar chemical and/or biological activity.

OBJECTS OF THE INVENTION

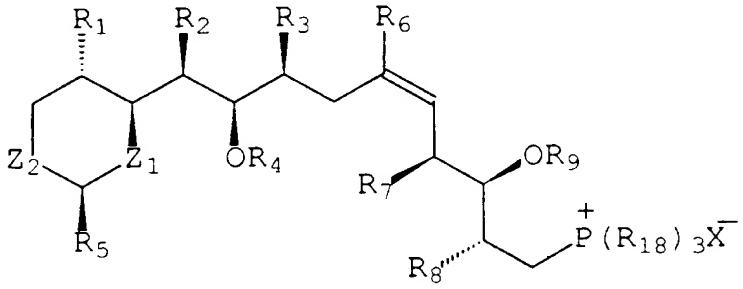
It is one object of the present invention to provide polyhydroxy, dienyl lactones and mimics thereof.

It is a further object to provide processes for the preparation of such compounds and their mimics.

It is another object of this invention to provide intermediates useful in such processes.

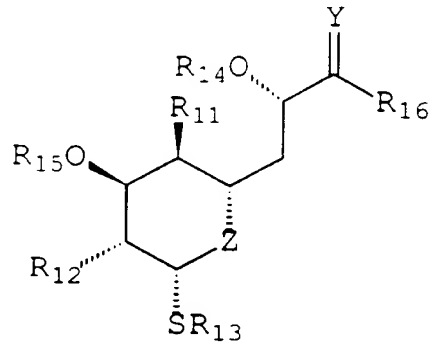
SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

These and other objects are satisfied by the present invention, which, in one aspect, provides synthetic methods for the discodermolides and other polyhydroxylactones. In preferred embodiments, such methods involve contacting a phosphonium salt of formula I:



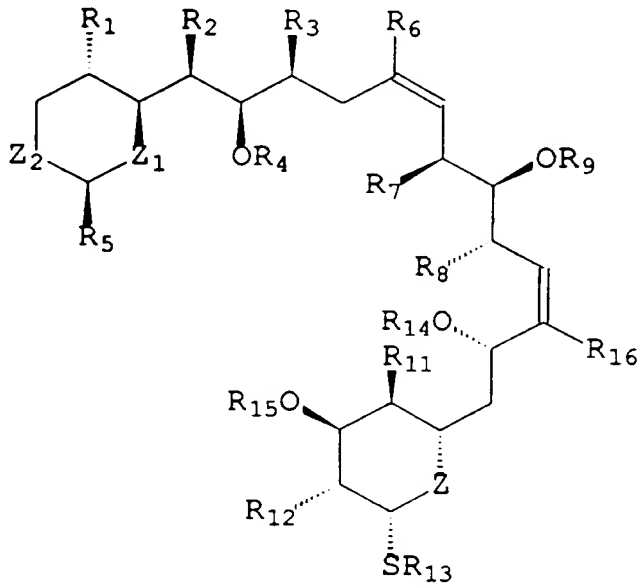
I

with base and an alkylthiol of formula II:



II

to form a diene of formula III:



III

wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_3, R_7, R_8, R_{11}, R_{12} and R_{13} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_6 is H or C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

X is a halogen;

Z, Z_1, and Z_2 are, independently, O, S or NR';

R_4, R_9, R_{14}, and R_{15} are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

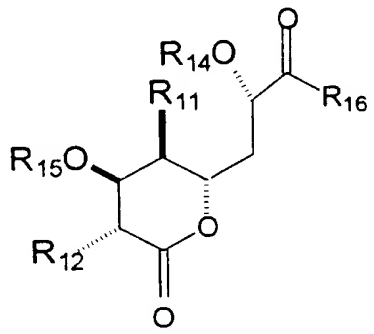
R_5 is C_6-C_{14} aryl;

Y is O, S or NR';

R' and R_{16} are, independently, hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl; and

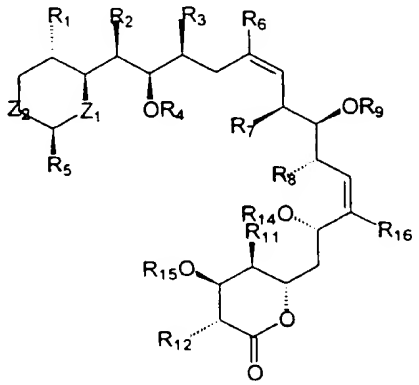
R_{18} is C_6-C_{14} aryl.

In another embodiment, compounds of formula I are contacted with compounds of the following formula XXIII:



XXIII

to form a diene of formula XXXXX:



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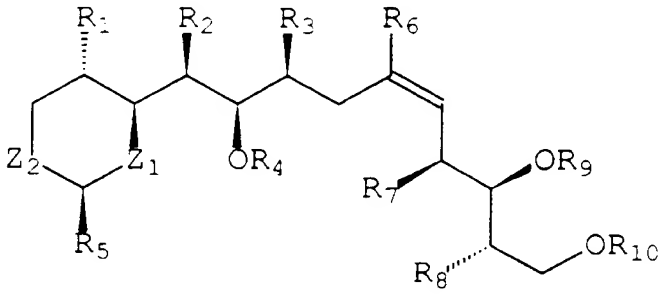
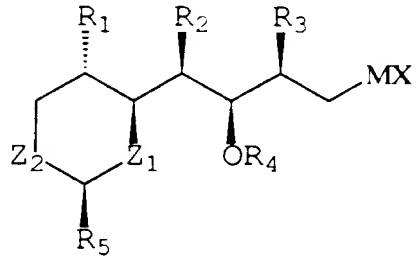
In another aspect, the methods of the invention involve producing an alkene of formula IV.



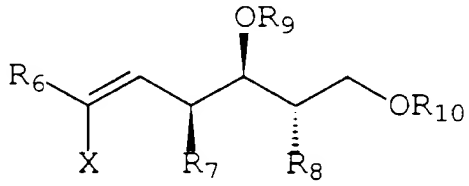
IV

This can be accomplished by contacting an organometallic reagent of formula Va:



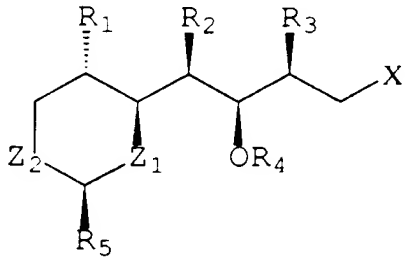
Va

with a vinyl halide of formula VIa:



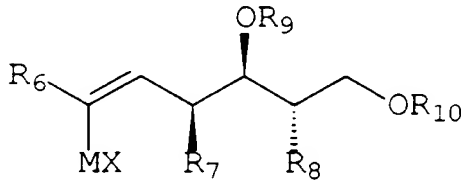
VIa

wherein M is Li, Cu, Mg, or Zn and R_{10} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group and all other variables are as defined above. Alternatively, a vinyl halide of formula Vb:



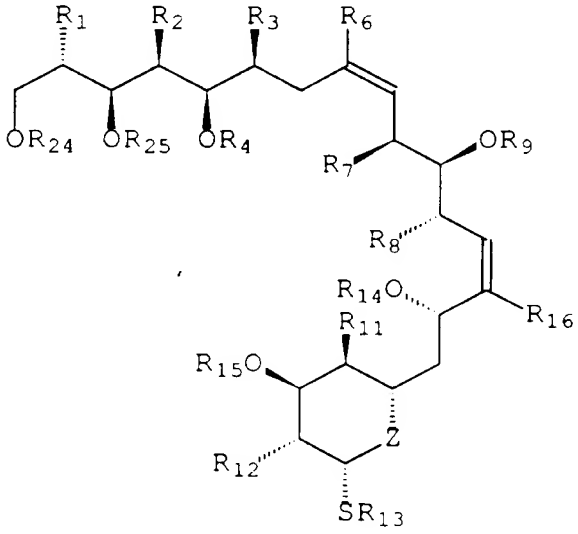
Vb

can be contacted with an organometallic compound of formula VIb:



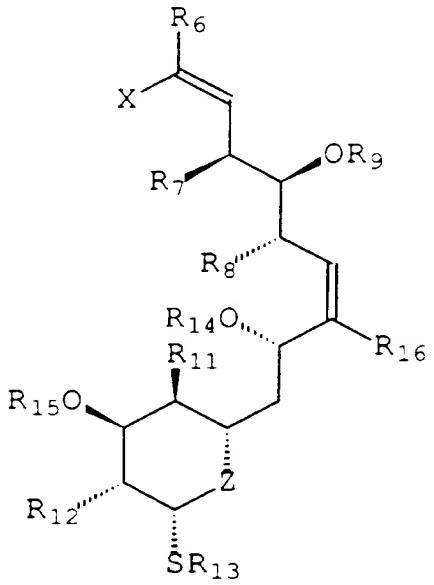
VIb

In yet another aspect, the methods of the invention involve compounds having formula VII.



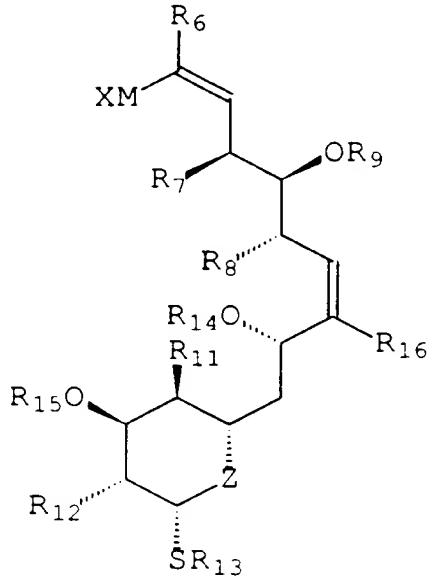
VII

by contacting a diene of formula VIIIa:



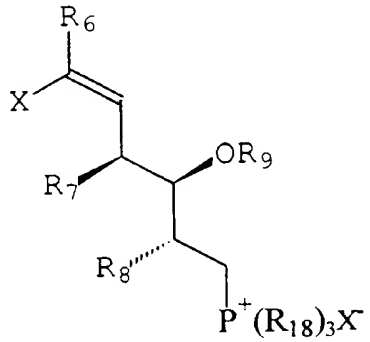
VIIIa

with an organometallic compound having formula Va wherein R_{24} is hydrogen and R_{25} is hydrogen or an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group. Alternatively, an organometallic compound having formula VIIIb can be contacted with a vinyl halide having formula Vb.



VIIIb

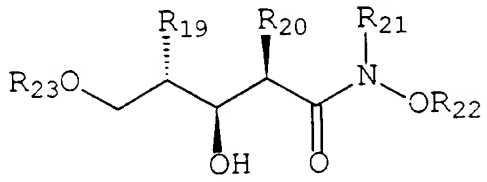
The methods of the invention also involve producing dienes having formula VIIIa by contacting phosphonium salts having formula IX:



IX

with base and alkylthiol compounds having formula II.

The present invention also provides synthetic intermediates which are useful in the preparation of polyhydroxylactones, including the compounds having formulas I-IX and X:



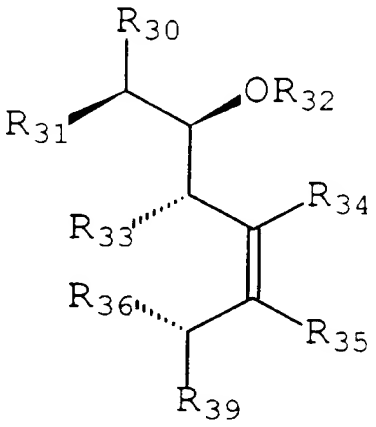
X

wherein:

R_{19}, R_{20}, R_{21} and R_{22} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl; and

R_{23} is C_7-C_{15} aralkyl.

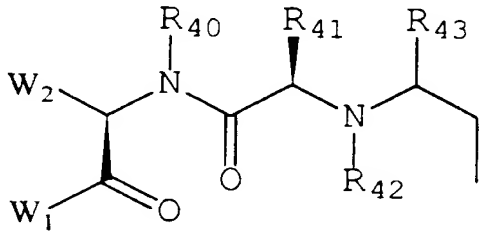
The present invention also provides compounds which mimic the chemical and/or biological activity of the discodermolides. In preferred embodiments, such compounds have formula XI:



XI

where

R_{30} is substituted or unsubstituted C_1-C_{10} alkyl or a moiety formula XII or XIII:



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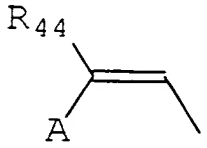
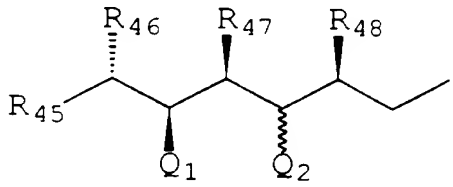


XIII

where A is C_1-C_{20} alkyl, $-CH_2NH(T)$ or a moiety of formula XIV:



XIV

wherein

T is peptide having 1 to about 10 amino acids;

R_{32}, R_{40}, R_{42}, R_{43}, R_{46}, R_{47}, and R_{48} are, independently, hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_{41} is a side chain of an amino acid;

W_1 and W_2 are, independently, $-OR_{49}$ or $-NHP_1$;

P_1 is hydrogen or an amine protecting group;

R_{33} and R_{36} are, independently, hydrogen, C_1-C_{10} alkyl, $-OR_{50}$, =O or together form $-CH_2-CH_2-$;

R_{34} and R_{35} are, independently, hydrogen or together form $-C(H)=C(H)-C(H)=C(H)-$;

R_{39} is $-OR_{51}$ or $-CH_2-R_{51}$;

R_{31} and R_{44} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

Q_1 and Q_2 are, independently, hydrogen, $-OR_Q$, $-NHR_{52}$, $-OC(=O)NH_2$ or together form $-O-C(O)-NH-$;

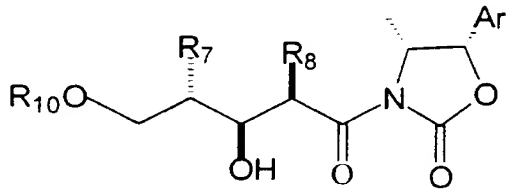
R_Q is hydrogen or a hydroxyl protecting group;

R_{51} is substituted or unsubstituted C_6-C_{14} aryl, tetrahydropyranyl, furanosyl, pyranosyl (*e.g.*, tetramethylfucosyl, tetramethylmannosyl, tetramethylgaractosyl and tetramethylglucosyl), C_3-C_{10} lactonyl or 2-pyranonyl;

R_{45} is C_1-C_6 alkenyl, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_6-C_{14} aryl, C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkyl, C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl, or C_7-C_{15} aralkyl; and

R_{49}, R_{50}, and R_{52} are, independently, hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl.

In another aspect, the present invention provides processes for preparing amides having formula XX:



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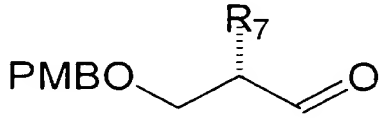
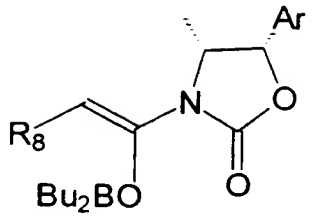
wherein Ar is C_6-C_{14} aryl comprising the steps of contacting a compound having formula XXI:



XXI

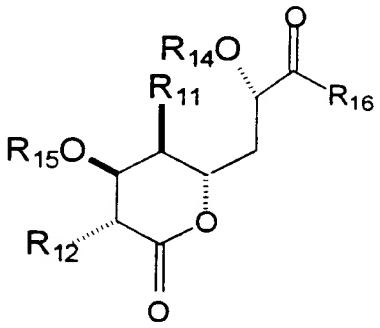
with a compound having formula XXII:



XXII

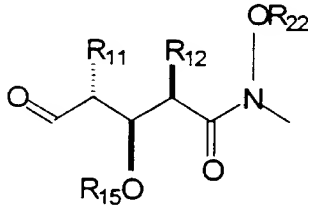
for a time and under conditions effective to form the amide.

Also provided are processes for producing compounds of formula XXIII:



XXIII

comprising the steps of contacting an aldehyde of formula XXIV:



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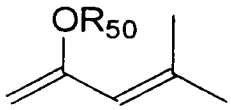
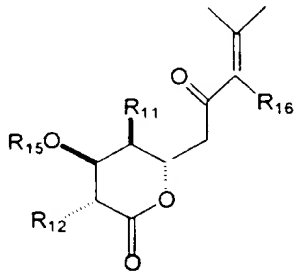
with an enol ether of formula XXV:



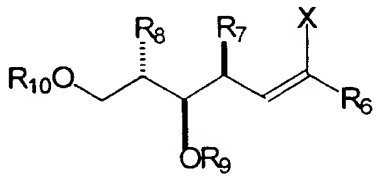
in the presence of a titanium salt for a time and under conditions effective to form an enone of formula XXVI:



XXVI

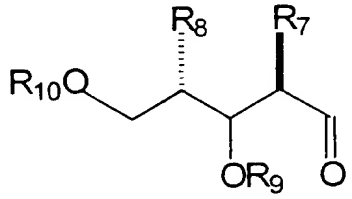
Such enones are then contacted with a reducing agent for a time and under conditions effective to form a corresponding enol, which is contacted with a compound having formula R-L (wherein L is a leaving group) for a time and under conditions effective to form a protected enol. This protected enol is contacted with an oxidizing agent for a time and under conditions effective to oxidize the carbon-carbon double bond of the protected enol.

The invention also provides processes for producing halogenated olefins of formula XXVII:



XXVII

by contacting an aldehyde of formula XXVIII:



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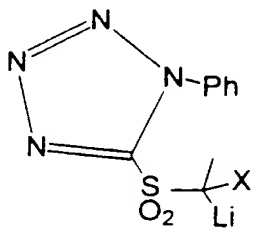
with an α-halo sulfone of formula XXIX:



XXVIX

for a time and conditions effective to from the halogenated olefin.

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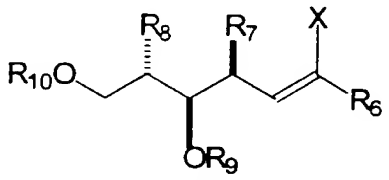

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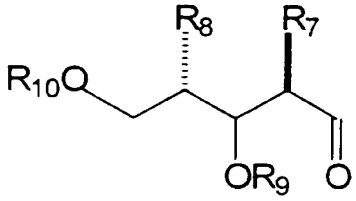
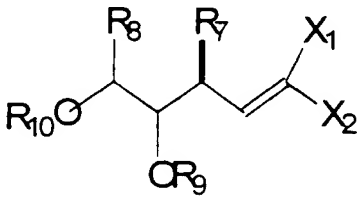
comprising the steps of contacting a compound of formula XXXI:



XXXI

with triphenylphosphine and a carbon tetrahalide for a time and under conditions effective to form a dihalogenated olefin of formula XXXII:



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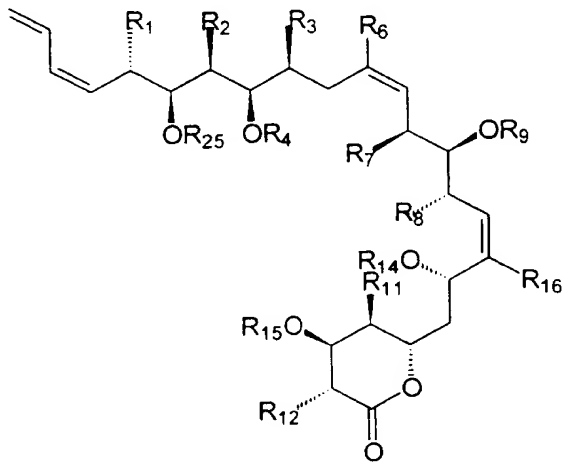
Such a dihalogenated olefin is contacted with an organometallic compound (such as lithium dimethyl cuprate or an alkylzinc compound such as methyl zinc chloride or methyl zinc bromide)

in the presence of a catalyst for a time and under conditions effective to form the halogenated olefin.

Additional processes of the invention are directed to synthesis of dienes of formula XXXIII:



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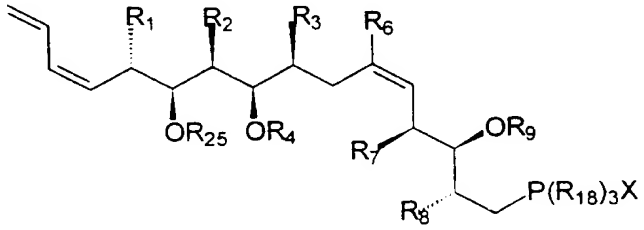

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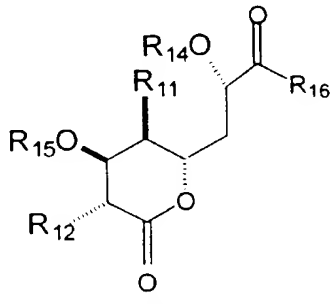
with a base and a compound of formula XXXV:



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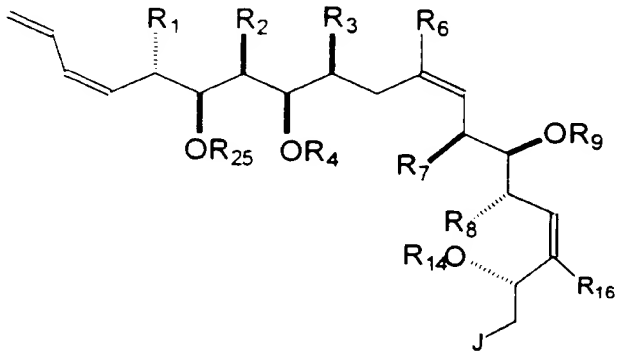
for a time and under conditions effective to form the diene.

The invention also provides processes for producing a compound of formula XXXVI:



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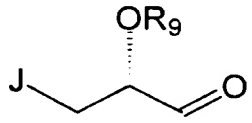
comprising contacting a compound of the formula XXXVII:



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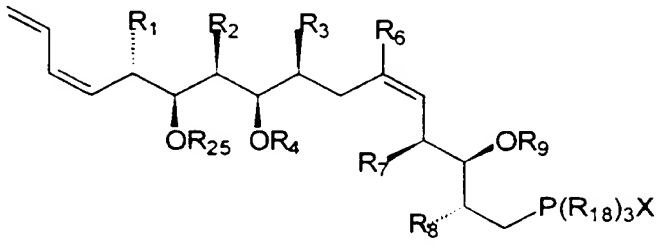
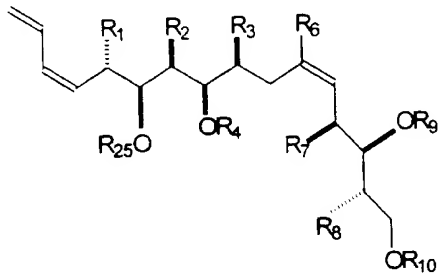
wherein J is C_1-C_{10} alkyl, C_6-C_{14} aryl, C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkyl. or C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkenyl (preferably 4-methoxyphenyl, 4-hydroxyphenyl, 2-pyridyl, 3-pyridyl, or 4-pyridyl) with a phosphonium salt of formula XXXIV:



XXXIV

and base.

The invention also provides synthetic intermediates having formulas XXXIII-XXXXV:



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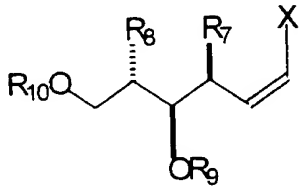

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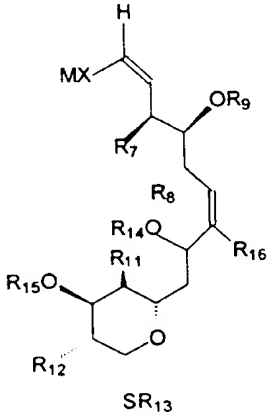

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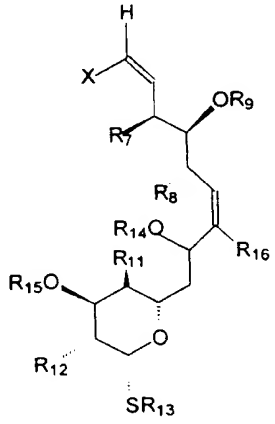

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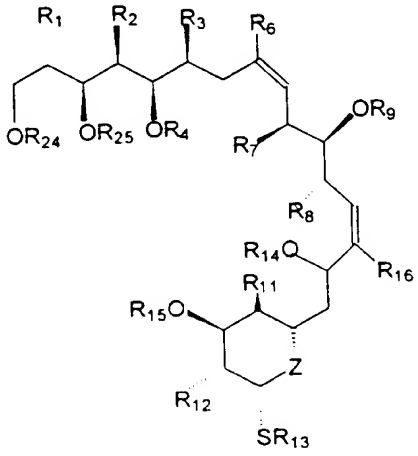

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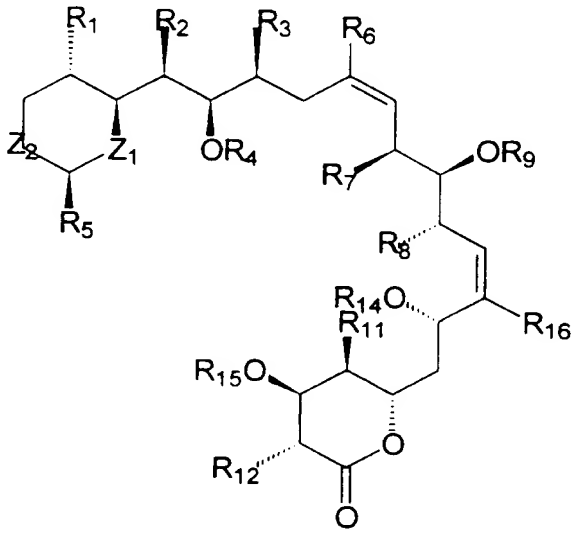
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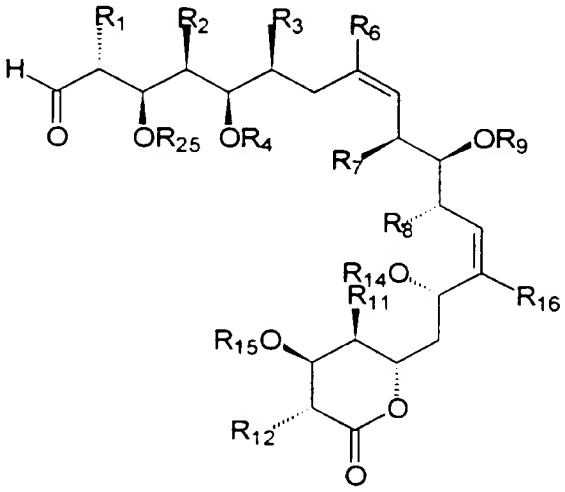
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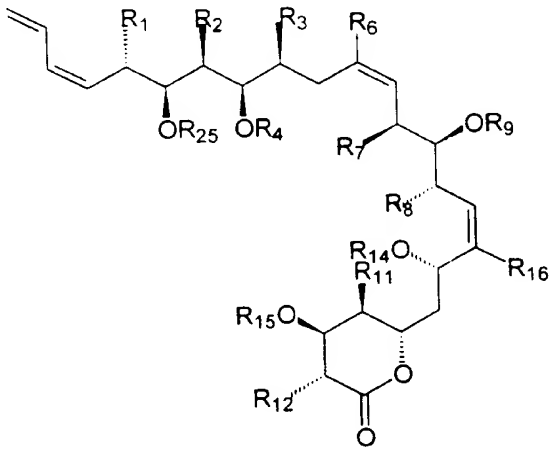

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The present invention also provides methods for inhibiting mammalian cell proliferation by contacting mammalian cells with a compound according to the invention or by administering a compound according to the invention (or a pharmaceutical composition comprising such a compound) to a mammal suffering from undesired cell proliferation. Also provided are methods for inhibiting rejection of a transplanted organ in a mammal comprising administering a compound or composition according to the invention to a mammalian organ recipient.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The numerous objects and advantages of the present invention may be better understood by those skilled in the art by reference to the accompanying figures, in which:

Figure 1 shows a retrosynthetic analysis for (-)-discodermolide **1**.

Figure 2 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **(+)-5**.

Figure 3 shows a synthetic scheme for fragment **A**.

Figure 4 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **22**.

Figure 5 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **39**.

Figure 6 shows a synthetic scheme for compounds **15** and **25**.

Figure 7 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **34**.

Figure 8 shows a synthetic scheme for fragment **C**.

Figure 9 shows a synthetic scheme for fragment **B**.

Figure 10 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **39**.

Figure 11 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **40**.

Figure 12 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **49**.

Figure 13 shows a synthetic scheme for compounds **53** and **46**.

Figure 14 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **56**.

Figure 15 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **1**.

Figure 16 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **104**.

Figure 17 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **107**.

Figure 18 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **206**.

Figure 19 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **212**.

Figure 20 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **217**.

Figure 21 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **305**.

Figure 22 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **309**.

Figure 23 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **401**.

Figure 24 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **501**.

Figure 25 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **601**.

Figure 26 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **701** (R = alkyl).

Figure 27 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **808**.

Figure 28 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **801**.

Figure 29 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **901**.

Figure 30 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **1003**.

Figure 31 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **1104** (Ar = 2,4-dimethyl-3-methoxyphenyl (a), 2-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl (b), 2,4-dimethyl-5-methoxyphenyl (c), 2,4-dimethylphenyl (d), and 4-methylphenyl (e)).

Figure 32 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **1111**.

Figures 33-36 show representative compounds of the invention.

Figure 37 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **(-)-5**.

Figure 38 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **67**.

Figure 39 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **(+)-B**.

Figure 40 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **58**.

Figure 41 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **86**.

Figure 42 shows a synthetic scheme for compound **58**.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

It has been found in accordance with the present invention that the synthesis of polyhydroxy, dienyl lactones such as the discodermolides can be achieved by highly convergent and stereocontrolled synthetic procedures.

As shown in Figure 1 for the (-)-discodermolide antipode, our analysis revealed a repeating triad of contiguous stereocenters, separated by Z-olefinic linkages at C(8,9) and C(13,14). Disconnections at C(8,9), C(14,15) and C(21,22) generated fragments **A**, **B** and **C**, each deriving in turn from a common precursor (**5**) containing the recurring stereochemical triad.

As shown in Figure 2, precursor **5** was prepared by a synthetic procedure whereby hydroxy ester (-)-**6** was protected as the *p*-methoxybenzyl (PMB) ether by treatment with the Bundle trichloroimidate reagent **7** under acidic conditions. Reduction with $LiAlH_4$ provided the alcohol (-)-**8** after distillation. Swern oxidation, Evans aldol condensation, and Weinreb amide formation completed the construction of common precursor (+)-**5**. This concise five-step synthesis could be routinely carried out on a 50-g scale in 59% overall yield.

Alternatively, as shown in Figure 37, Swern oxidation of **(+)-8** followed by the addition norephedrine derived oxazolidinone 61 results in a crystalline product **62** which, in turn, can be converted to common precursor (-)-**5**.

In view of the polypropionate structure of the **A** fragment, we performed a second asymmetric aldol reaction, as shown in Figure 3. Initial formation of the *p*-methoxybenzylidene acetal (-)-**11** from common precursor (-)-**5** (78% yield) was designed to allow selective deprotection of C(21) and C(19) hydroxyls for introduction of the terminal diene and carbamate moieties. Following reduction of amide (-)-**11** to the aldehyde (80% yield), (aldol reaction with oxazolidinone (+)-**9** (80% yield) provided alcohol (+)-**13** which incorporated the five stereocenters of subunit **A**. The structure of (+)-**13** was confirmed by single-crystal X-ray analysis. Protection of the secondary alcohol as the TBS ether and removal of the chiral auxiliary ($LiBH_4$,EtOH,THF) afforded primary alcohol (-)-**15** (81% yield, two steps), which could be efficiently converted either to tosylate (-)-**16** or iodide (-)-**A**.

As outlined in Figure 1, our strategy required a Z vinylic halide **B** for coupling with fragment **A**. Beginning again with the common precursor (+)-**5**, TBS protection (Figure 4) followed by reduction of the Weinreb amide [DIBAL (2 equiv), THF, -78 °C](Kim, *et al., Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 6697) afforded aldehyde (+)-**18** in 88% yield for the two steps. We adopted a stepwise approach to introduction of the vinyl halide, whereby (+)-**18** was converted to the Z α-bromo unsaturated ester (-)-**19** ($Ph_3PCBrCO_2Et$, PhH, reflux; 75% yield after chromatography). Reduction to allylic alcohol (-)-**20** followed by mesylation and displacement with $LiBHEt_3$ then furnished Z vinyl bromide (-)-**22** in 77% overall yield from **19**.

One preferred synthetic strategy utilized a vinyl iodide as the desired **B** segment. Synthesis of (-)-**B** was achieved by direct olefination of aldehyde (+)-**18** (41%, 6:1 Z/E) (Figure 9), followed by chromatographic removal of the undesired E product. Alternatively, the B segment can be prepared by the two routes shown in Figure 39. The first

involves an α-iodo sulfone **69** to effect a one-step installation of the vinyl iodide. The second exploits the enhanced reactivity of the trans iodide of diiodide **70**.

Our preferred synthetic strategy involves selective removal of a primary PMB ether in the presence of a PMP acetal in the **AB** coupling product ((-)-**39**, Figure 5). A 1:1 mixture of PMB ether (-)-**22** and PMP acetal (-)-**15** was exposed to DDQ (1.1 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2/H_2O (Figure 6). The acetal (-)-**15** largely remained intact while the debenzylated alcohol (-)-**25** was formed in 83% yield.

As shown in Figure 7, we again utilized the TBS ether (+)-**17** for the preparation of **C** from common precursor (+)-**5**. Oxidative cleavage of the PMB group (DDQ, CH_2Cl_2, H_2O) provided alcohol **26** in variable (60-86%) yields, accompanied by the corresponding lactone. Hydrogenolysis with Pearlman's catalyst afforded (+)-**26** in 92% yield. Exposure of the alcohol to SO_3.pyr furnished aldehyde (+)-**27** (98% yield), which in turn was converted to dithiane (+)-**28** (79%). In the latter step, our modification of the Evans protocol for dithiane generation [$(TMSSCH_2)_2CH_2$, $ZnCl_2$, Et_2O] minimized elimination of the TBS ether to form the α,β-unsaturated amide. Following reduction to aldehyde (+)-**29** with DIBAL (91% yield), dimethyl acetal formation gave (+)-**30** (99%). The coupling of dithiane **30** with *R*-(-)-glycidyl benzyl ether [(-)-**31**] then afforded alcohol (-)-**32** in 79% yield. Unmasking of the ketone moiety [$(CF_3CO_2)_2IPh$, 80%] and Evans stereocontrolled reduction (97%) provided the anti diol (-)-**34**, which embodied all of the stereocenters in fragment **C**.

Acid-catalyzed cyclization of (-)-**34** (TsOH, room temperature) provided methoxy pyran **35** in 87% yield as a 1:2 mixture of α and β anomers (Figure 8). Debenzylation (H_2, Pd/C) of **36** afforded alcohol **37** quantitatively. Exposure to EtSH and $MgBr_2$ in Et_2O then gave a separable 6:1 mixture of β

ethyl hemithioacetal (+)-**38** and its α anomer in 83% yield. Swern oxidation of (+)-**38** furnished the final fragment (-)-**C** in 86% yield.

Reaction of (-)-**B** with the organozinc derivative of (-)-**A** (Figure 10) was achieved by premixing iodide **A** with dried solid $ZnCl_2$ (ether, -78 °C) before addition of *t*-BuLi. It is believed that three equivalents of *t*-BuLi are required for complete consumption of (-)-**A**, probably because the first equivalent reacts with $ZnCl_2$. This modification increased the yield to 66% after flash chromatography.

Conversion of the Z trisubstituted olefin (-)-**39** to the phosphonium iodide (-)-**49** began with selective removal of the PMB group, as in our model study (DDQ, CH_2Cl_2, H_2O), furnishing (-)-**40** in 87% yield (Figure 11). As shown in Figure 12, alcohol (-)-**40** furnished the requisite iodide **42** almost exclusively, as indicated by NMR examination of the crude material. The very sensitive iodide was used without purification. Thorough mixing of iodide **42** with *I*-Pr_2NEt (3 equiv) followed by exposure to excess PPh_3 (15 equiv) without solvent at 80 °C generated (-)-**49** in 37% yield for the two steps. The major by-product was characterized as (-)-**50** (35% yield). The unsaturated model alcohol (+)-**44** similarly afforded the Wittig salt (+)-**46** in low yield (Figure 13), whereas the saturated derivative (+)-**51** gave phosphonium iodide (+)-**53** almost quantitatively.

Our preferred method to prepare compound **49** entails the mixing of iodide **42** with *I*-Pr_2NEt (0.5 equiv.) and PPh_3 (4 equiv.) in benzene/toluene (7:3) and subjecting this mixture to an applied pressure of 10-15 Kbar.

As shown in Figure 14, assembly of the discodermolide backbone entailed Wittig coupling of aldehyde **C** with the ylide derived from **AB** phosphonium salt (-)-**49** to install the C(8,9) Z alkene in (-)-**54** (>49:1 Z/E, 76% yield). DIBAL reduction

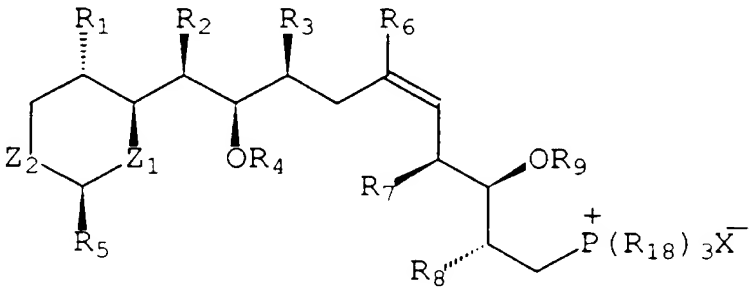
(88% yield) followed by oxidation of the resultant primary alcohol (-)-**55** then produced aldehyde (-)-**56** (96%). The terminal Z diene (-)-**57** was elaborated via the Yamamoto protocol in 70% yield with excellent selectivity (16:1 Z/E). After flash chromatography, hydrolysis of the hemithio acetal and mild DMSO/Ac_2O oxidation provided lactone (-)-**58** in 82% yield for the two steps. Removal of the PMB group (DDQ, CH_2Cl_2, H_2O, 95% yield) and carbamate formation (Cl_3CONCO, CH_2Cl_2, neutral Al_2O_3, 83%) afforded tris(TBS ether) (-)-**60**. Final deprotection with 48% HF/CH_3CN (1:9) furnished (-)-discodermolide, identical with an authentic sample (Figure 15).

Alternatively, lactone **58** can be prepared by the Wittig coupling of aldehyde **67** with the ylide derived from **49**, as shown in Figure 42. Regioselective ring opening of benzylidene acetal **76** with DIBAL followed by oxidation with pyridinium dichromate affords aldehyde **77**. Application of the Yamamoto olefination protocol affords compound **58**. Alternatively, the diene installation can be effected using an alkyl chromium reagent generated by the procedure of Hodgson, *et al.*, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1992**, *33*, 4761. The aldehyde **67** can be prepared by from compound (-)-**27** (prepared generally according to the procedure of Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) by effecting a Mukaiyama aldol reaction between aldehyde **27** and enol ether **63** to form enone **64**. Reduction of enone **64** furnished a 9:1 mixture of carbinols, favoring the desired isomer. Protection of the newly formed carbinol with TBSCl and subsequent ozonolysis of the trisubstituted olefin provides **67** in approximately 80% overall yield, as shown in figure 38..

Alternatively, the discodermolide backbone can be synthesized by installing the terminal diene before Wittig coupling with Fragment **C**. As shown in Figure 40,

regioselective ring opening of benzylidine acetal **39** with DIBAL-H followed by oxidation and application of the Yamamoto olefination protocol provides diene **73**. Selective removal of the less hindered PMB using DDQ/H_2O is followed by conversion to the primary iodide and phosphonium salt **75**. Alternatively, the primary PMB can be enhanced for either a dimethoxy benzyl ether or silyl protecting group earlier in the sequence. Application of Dauben's high pressure conditions results in approximately 75% yield of the desired phosphonium salt. Further assembly of the discodermolide backbone entails Wittig coupling of aldehyde **67** with the ylide derived from phosphonium salt **75** to afford **58**. Further manipulation as indicated above (Figure 15) provides **(+)**-discodermolide.

Preferred processes according to the invention also involve contacting a phosphonium salt of formula I with base and an alkylthiol of formula I:



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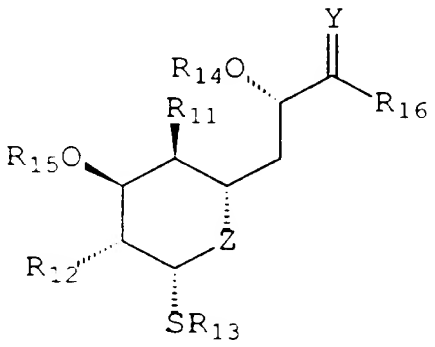

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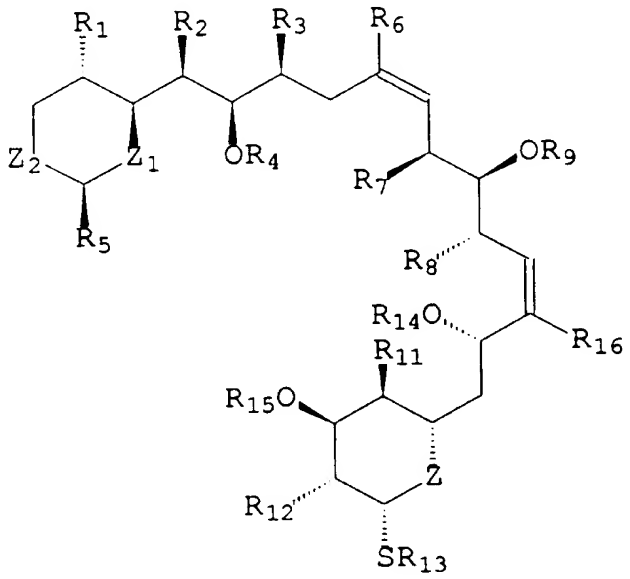
to form a diene of formula III:



III

wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_3, R_7, R_8, R_{11}, R_{12} and R_{13} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

X is a halogen;

R_6 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

Z, Z_1, and Z_2 are, independently, O, S or NR';

R_4, R_9, R_{14}, and R_{15} are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

R_5 is C_6-C_{14} aryl;

Y is O, S or NR';

R' and R_{16} are, independently, hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl; and

R_{18} is C_6-C_{14} aryl.

Such procedures preferably are run in solvents such as tetrahydrofuran at -78 °C - 0 °C. Suitable bases for such procedures include sodium hexamethyldisilazide, potassium hexamethyldisilazide, and *n*-butyllithium with hexamethylphosphoramide.

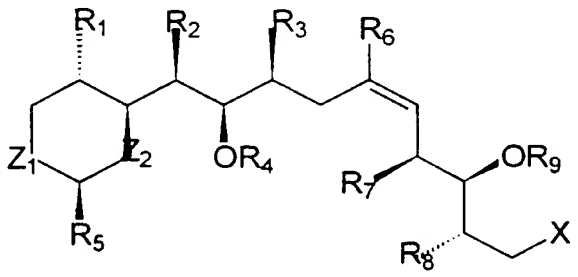
Alkyl groups according to the invention include but are not limited to straight chain and branched chain hydrocarbons such as methyl, ethyl, propyl, pentyl, isopropyl, 2-butyl, isobutyl, 2-methylbutyl, and isopentyl moieties having 1 to about 10 carbon atoms, preferably 1 to about 6 carbon atoms. Cycloalkyl groups are cyclic hydrocarbons having 3 to about 10 carbon atoms such as cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl groups. Heterocycloalkyl groups are cycloalkyl groups which include at least one heteroatom (*i.e.*, an atom which is not carbon, such as O, S, or N) in their cyclic backbone. Alkenyl groups according to the invention are straight chain or branched chain hydrocarbons that include one or more carbon-carbon double bonds. Preferred alkenyl groups are those having 2 to about 10 carbon atoms. Alkyl, cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, and alkenyl groups according to the invention optionally can be unsubstituted or can bear one or more substituents such as, for example, halogen hydroxyl, amine, and epoxy groups.

Aryl groups according to the invention are aromatic and heteroaromatic groups having 6 to about 14 carbon atoms, preferably from 6 to about 10 carbon atoms, including, for example, naphthyl, phenyl, indolyl, and xylyl groups and substituted derivatives thereof, particularly those substituted with amino, nitro, hydroxy, methyl, methoxy, thiomethyl, trifluoromethyl, mercaptyl, and carboxy groups. Alkaryl groups are groups that contain alkyl and aryl portions and are covalently bound to other groups through the alkyl portion, as in a benzyl group.

Protecting groups are known *per se* as chemical functional groups that can be selectively appended to and removed from functionality, such as hydroxyl and amine groups, present in a chemical compound to render such functionality inert to certain chemical reaction conditions to which the compound is exposed. *See, e.g.*, Greene and Wuts, Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis, 2d edition, John Wiley & Sons, New

York, 1991. Numerous hydroxyl protecting groups are known in the art, including the acid-labile *t*-butyldimethylsilyl, diethylisopropylsilyl, and triethylsilyl groups and the acid-stable aralkyl (*e.g.*, benzyl), triisopropylsilyl, and *t*-butyldiphenylsilyl groups. Useful amine protecting groups include the allyloxycarbonyl (Alloc), benzyloxycarbonyl (CBz), chlorobenzyloxycarbonyl, t-butyloxycarbonyl (Boc), fluorenylmethoxycarbonyl (Fmoc), isonicotinyloxycarbonyl (I-Noc) groups.

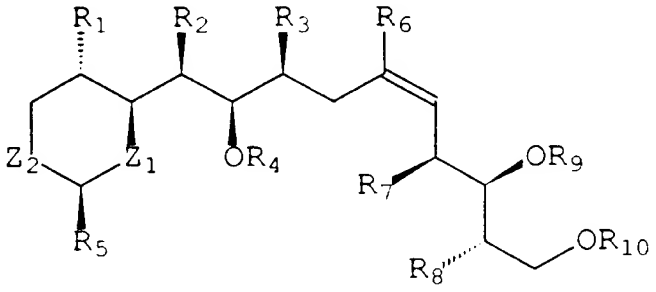
Phosphonium salts of formula I can be prepared by reacting a corresponding halogen of formula XXXXVI:



XXXXVI

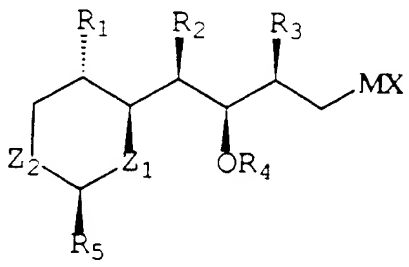
with $P(R_{18})_3$ in an for a time and under conditions effective to produce the salt. This reaction preferably is conducted in a aromatic hydrocarbon organic solvent such as toluene or benzene. A mixture of benzene and toluene in a ratio of 7:3 is preferred at a pressure of about 5 Kbar to about 20 Kbar.

The methods of the invention involve also are directed to the synthesis of alkenes of formula IV:



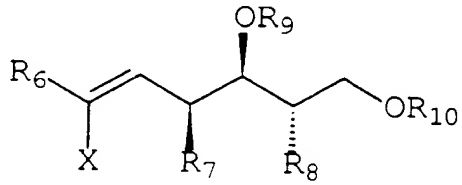
IV

by contacting organometallic reagents of formula Va:



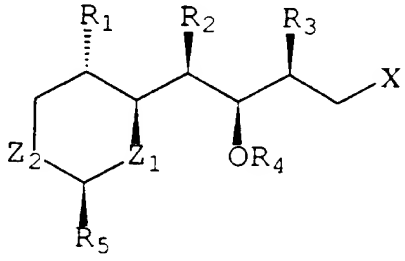
Va

with vinyl halides of formula VIa:



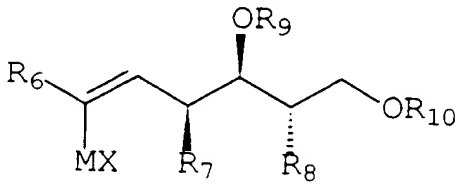
VIa

wherein M is Li, Cu, Mg, or Zn, and R_{10} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group. Alternatively, a vinyl halide of formula Vb:



Vb

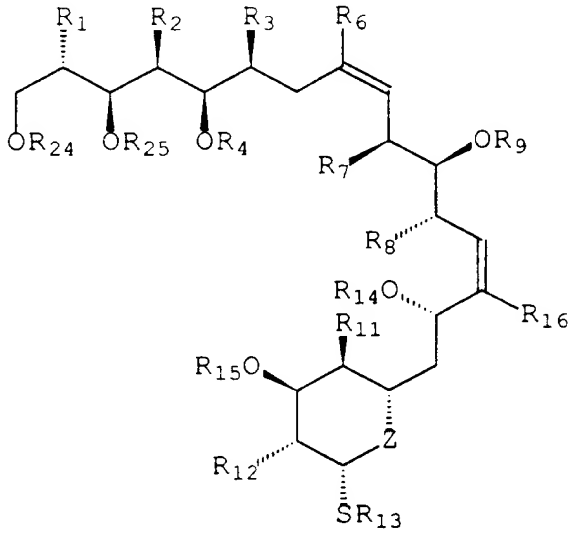
is contacted with an organometallic compound of formula VIb:



VIb

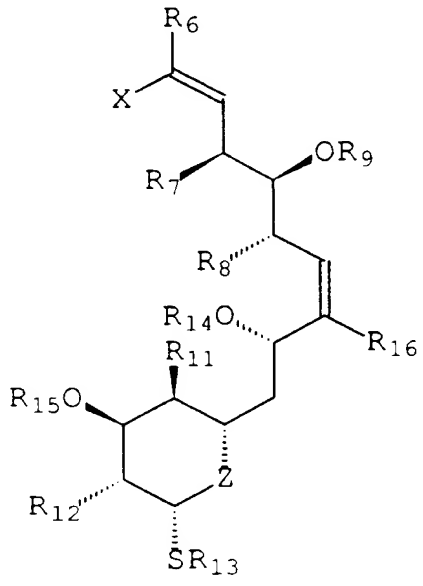
Such reactions preferably are performed in the presence of a palladium-containing catalyst such as $Pd(PPh_3)_4$, $Pd(Cl_2)(PPh_3)_2$, $Pd(Cl_2)(dppf)_2$.

In yet another aspect, the synthetic methods of the invention are directed to the preparation of compounds having formula VII:



VII

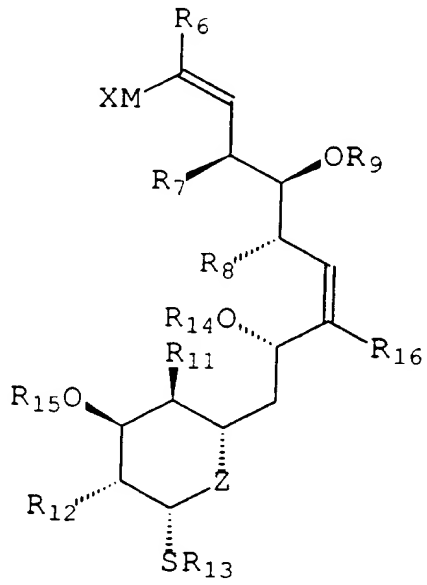
by contacting a diene of formula VIIIa:



VIIIa

with an organometallic compound having formula Va wherein R_{24} is hydrogen and R_{25} is hydrogen or an acid stable hydroxyl

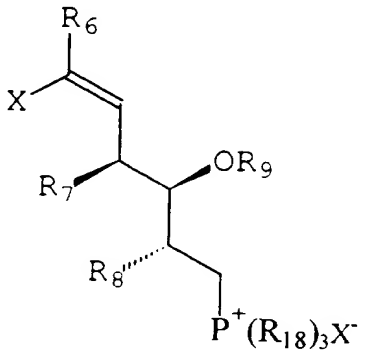
protecting group. Alternatively, an organometallic compound having formula VIIIb is contacted with a vinyl halide having formula Vb.



VIIIb

The reaction of compounds having formulas V and VIII preferably is performed in ether in the presence of a palladium- or nickel-containing catalyst.

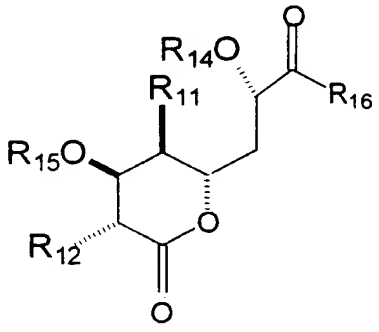
The methods of the invention also involve producing dienes having formula VIIIa by contacting phosphonium salts having formula IX:



IX

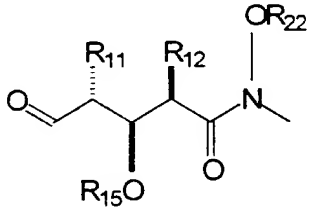
with a base such as sodium hexamethyl disilazide and an alkylthiol compound having formula II. Such procedures preferably are run in solvents such as tetrahydrofuran at -78 °C - 0 °C. Suitable bases for such procedures include sodium hexamethyldisilazide, potassium hexamethyldisilazide, and *n*-butyllithium with hexamethylphosphoramide.

The methods of the invention also involve producing compounds of formula XXIII:



XXIII

by contacting an aldehyde of formula XXIV:



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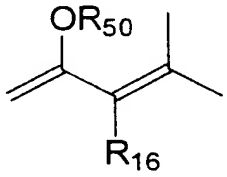
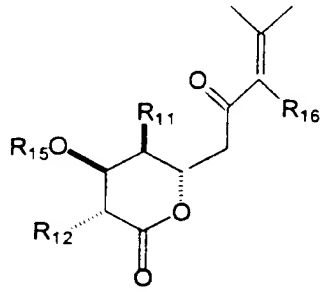
with an enol ether of formula XXV:



XXV

in the presence of a titanium salt and an organic acid to form an enone of formula XXVI:



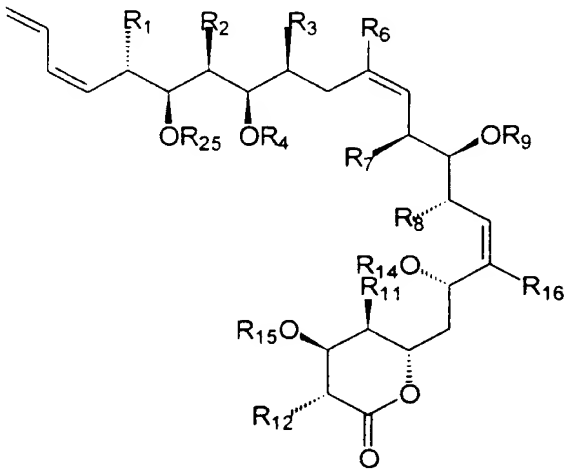
XXVI

Preferably, the reaction between aldehyde **27** and the enol ether **62** is a Mukaiyama aldol reaction wherein the Lewis acid is a titanium salt (such as $TiCl_4$) or some other Ti(IV) of Sn(IV) Lewis acid (such as $SnCl_4$) and the organic acid is trichloroacetic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, sulfuric acid, or pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate. Following the aldol reaction, enone **64** is contacted with a reducing agent to form the corresponding enol **65**. Preferably, the reducing agent is potassium tri-sec-butylborohydride or sodium tri-sec-butylborohydride (commercially available in THF as K-Selectride® and N-Selectride®, respectively) but may include chiral reducing agents such as lithium B-isopinocampheyl-9-borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonyl hydride (commercially available in THF as Alpine-Hydride®.

According to the present invention, enol **65** is then contacted with a compound having formula R-L wherein R is an acid labile protecting group and L is a leaving group. Preferably, R-L is *t*-butyldimethylsilyl chloride or *t*-butyldimethysilyl triflate.

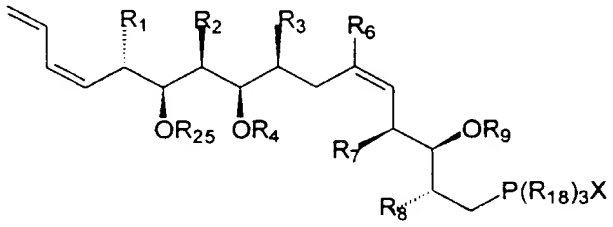
The protected enol is then oxidized with an oxidizing agent such as O_3 or the reagent combination of $NaIO_4$ with catalytic OsO_4 for a time and under conditions effective to oxidize the carbon-carbon double bond of the protected enol.

The methods of the present invention are also directed to the synthesis of diene having formula XXXIII:



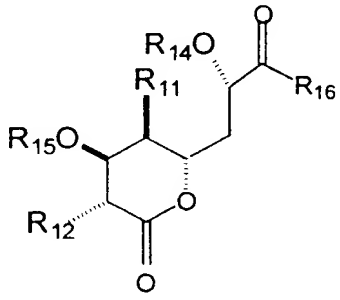
XXXIII

by contacting phosphonium salts of formula XXXIV:



XXXIV

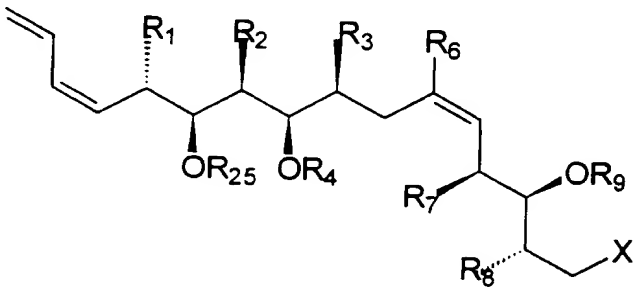
with base and a compound of formula XXXV:



XXXV

Suitable bases for such procedures include potassium hexamethyldisilazide, sodium hexamethyldisilazide, *n*-butyllithium and potassium *t*-butoxide. A preferred solvent is toluene, preferably at a temperature of -78°C-0°C.

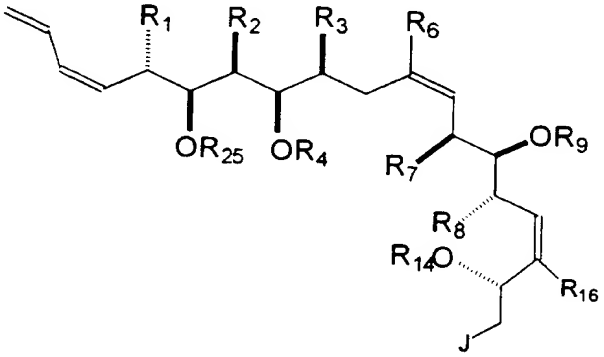
Phosphonium salts of formula XXXIV can be prepared by reacting a corresponding halogen of formula XXXXVII:



XXXXVII

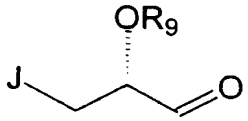
with $P(R_{18})_3$ in an for a time and under conditions effective to produce the salt. This reaction preferably is conducted in a aromatic hydrocarbon organic solvent such as toluene or benzene. A mixture of benzene and toluene in a ratio of 7:3 is preferred at a pressure of about 5 Kbar to about 20 Kbar.

Further processes of the invention involve producing compound having formula XXXVI:



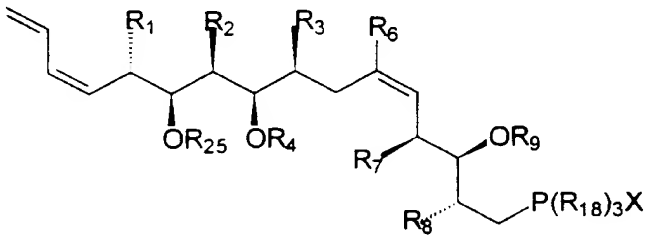
XXXVI

by contacting a compound of formula XXXVII:



XXXVII

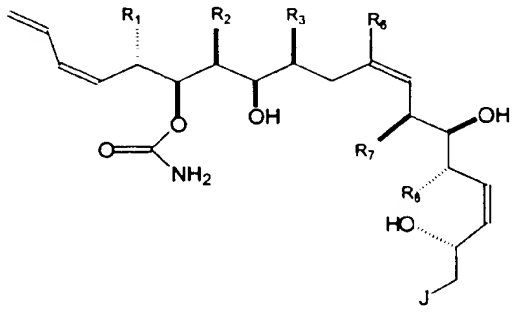
with base and a phosphonium salt of formula XXXIV:



XXXIV

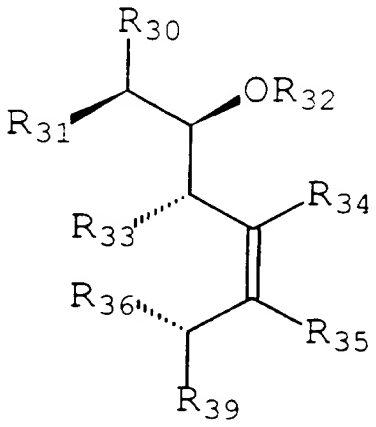
Preferred bases include sodium hexamethyldisilazide, potassium hexamethyldisilazide, *n*-butyllithium with hexamethylphosphoramide, and potassium *t*-butoxide. A preferred solvent is toluene, preferably at a temperature of -78°C-0°C.

According to methods of the invention, removal of the acid stable protective group and carbamate formation followed by final deprotection furnishes compounds having formula:



Although preferred synthetic methods are those directed to (+)-discodermolide and compounds having like stereochemistry, those skilled in the art will recognize that the methods disclosed herein can be readily adapted to the synthesis of antipodal compounds such as, for example, (-)-discodermolide, and *vice versa*. All such synthetic methods are within the scope of the present invention.

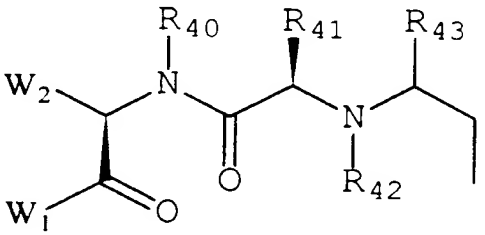
The present invention provides compounds which mimic the chemical and/or biological activity of the discodermolides. In preferred embodiments, such compounds have formula XI:



XI

where

R_{30} is substituted or unsubstituted C_1-C_{10} alkyl or a moiety formula XII or XIII:



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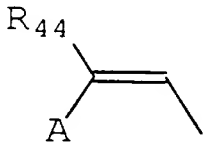
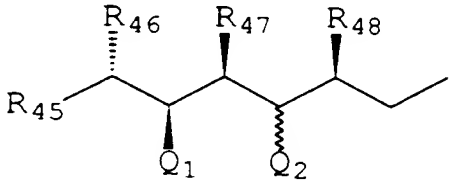


XIII

where A is C_1-C_{20} alkyl, $-CH_2NH(T)$ or a moiety of formula XIV:



XIV

wherein

T is peptide having 1 to about 10 amino acids;

R_{32}, R_{40}, R_{42}, R_{43}, R_{46}, R_{47}, and R_{48} are, independently, hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_{41} is a side chain of an amino acid;

W_1 and W_2 are, independently, $-OR_{49}$ or $-NHP_i$;

P_1 is hydrogen or an amine protecting group;

R_{33} and R_{36} are, independently, hydrogen, C_1-C_{10} alkyl, $-OR_{50}$, =O or together form $-CH_2-CH_2-$;

R_{34} and R_{35} are, independently, hydrogen or together form $-C(H)=C(H)-C(H)=C(H)-$;

R_{39} is $-OR_{51}$ or $-CH_2-R_{51}$;

R_{31} and R_{44} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

Q_1 and Q_2 are, independently, hydrogen, $-OR_Q$, $-NHR_{52}$, $-OC(=O)NH_2$ or together form $-O-C(O)-NH-$;

R_Q is hydrogen or a hydroxyl protecting group;

R_{51} is substituted or unsubstituted C_6-C_{14} aryl, tetrahydropyranyl, furanosyl, pyranosyl, C_3-C_{10} lactonyl or 2-pyranonyl;

R_{45} is C_1-C_6 alkenyl, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_6-C_{14} aryl, C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkyl, C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl, or C_7-C_{15} aralkyl; and

R_{49}, R_{50}, and R_{52} are, independently, hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl.

Some preferred compounds having formula XI are shown in Figures 33-36.

The term amino acid as used herein is intended to include all naturally-occurring and synthetic amino acids known in the art. In general, amino acids have structure $H_2N-CH(R_C)-C(O)OH$ where R_C is the amino acid side chain. Representative, naturally-occurring side chains are shown in Table 1.

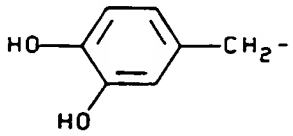
TABLE 1

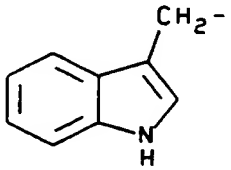
CH_3-

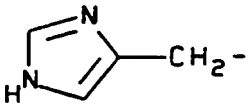
$HO-CH_2-$

$C_6H_5-CH_2-$

$HO-C_6H_5-CH_2-$







$HS-CH_2-$

$HO_2C-CH(NH_2)-CH_2-S-S-CH_2-$

CH_3-CH_2-

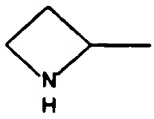
$CH_3-S-CH_2-CH_2-$

$CH_3-CH_2-S-CH_2-CH_2-$

$HO-CH_2-CH_2-$

$CH_3-CH_2(OH)-$

$HO_2C-CH_2-NH_2C(O)-CH_2-$



$HCO_2-CH_2-CH_2-$

$NH_2C(O)-CH_2-CH_2-$

$(CH_3)_2-CH-$

$(CH_3)_2-CH-CH_2-$

$CH_3-CH_2-CH_2-$

$H_2N-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-$

$H_2N-C(NH)-NH-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-$

$H_2N-C(O)-NH-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-$

$CH_3-CH_2-CH(CH_3)-$

$CH_3-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-$

$H_2N-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-$

Hydrophobic amino acid side chains are preferred, including the CH_3-, $C_6H_5-CH_2-$, CH_3-CH_2-, $CH_3-S-CH_2-CH_2-$, $(CH_3)_2-CH-$, $(CH_3)_2-CH-CH_2-$, $CH_3-CH_2-CH(CH_3)-$, and $CH_3-CH_2-CH_2-CH_2-$ side chains. Peptides according to the invention are linear, branched, or cyclic chemical structures containing at least 2 covalently bound amino acids.

Certain compounds of the invention contain amino groups and, therefore, are capable of forming salts with various inorganic and organic acids. Such salts are also within the scope of this invention. Representative salts include acetate, adipate, benzoate, benzenesulfonate,

bisulfate, butyrate, citrate, camphorate, camphorsulfonate, ethanesulfonate, fumarate, hemisulfate, heptanoate, hexanoate, hydrochloride, hydrobromide, hydroiodide, methanesulfonate, lactate, maleate, methanesulfonate, 2-naphthalenesulfonate, nitrate, oxalate, pamoate, persulfate, picrate, pivalate, propionate, succinate, sulfate, tartrate, tosylate, and undecanoate. The salts can be formed by conventional means, such as by reacting the free base form of the product with one or more equivalents of the appropriate acid in a solvent or medium in which the salt is insoluble, or in a solvent such as water which is later removed *in vacuo* or by freeze drying. The salts also can be formed by exchanging the anions of an existing salt for another anion on a suitable ion exchange resin.

The compounds of the invention can be admixed with carriers, excipients, and/or diluents to form novel compositions. Such compositions can be used in prophylactic, diagnostic, and/or therapeutic techniques. By administering an effective amount of such a composition, prophylactic or therapeutic responses can be produced in a human or some other type mammal. It will be appreciated that the production of prophylactic or therapeutic responses includes the initiation or enhancement of desirable responses, as well as the mitigation, cessation, or suppression of undesirable responses. The compositions of the invention are expected to find use, for example, in the inhibition of undesired cell proliferation (*e.g.*, cancer) and in the inhibition of rejection in organ transplantation procedures. (*See, e.g.*, Longley, *et al.*, *Transplantation* **1991**, *52*, 650 and 656).

Compositions of the invention can be prepared by any of the methods well known in the pharmaceutical art, for example, as described in *Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences* (Mack Pub. Co., Easton, PA, 1980). The compositions can include a compound of the invention as an active ingredient in admixture with an organic or inorganic carrier or excipient

suitable, for example, for oral administration. Other suitable modes of administration will be apparent to those skilled in the art. The compound of the invention can be compounded, for example, with the usual non-toxic, pharmaceutically acceptable carriers for tablets, pellets, capsules, solutions, suppositories, suspensions, and any other form suitable for use. The carriers which can be used are water, glucose, lactose, gum acacia, gelatin, mannitol, starch paste, magnesium trisilicate, talc, corn starch, keratin, colloidal silica, potato starch, urea and other carriers suitable for use in manufacturing preparations, in solid, semisolid, or liquid form, and in addition auxiliary, stabilizing, thickening and coloring agents and perfumes may be used. The compound of the invention is included in the pharmaceutical composition in an amount sufficient to produce the desired effect upon the process or condition of diseases.

For oral administration, tablets containing various excipients such as microcrystalline cellulose, sodium citrate, calcium carbonate, dicalcium phosphate and glycine may be employed along with various disintegrants such as starch and preferably corn, potato or tapioca starch, alginic acid and certain complex silicates, together with granulation binders like polyvinylpyrrolidone, sucrose, gelatin and acacia. Additionally, lubricating agents such as magnesium stearate, sodium lauryl sulfate and talc are often very useful for tableting purposes. Solid compositions of a similar type may also be employed as fillers in appropriately soluble (*e.g.*, gelatin) capsules; preferred materials in this connection also include lactose or milk sugar as well as high molecular weight polyethylene glycols.

When aqueous suspensions and/or elixirs are desired for oral administration, the active ingredient may be combined with various sweetening or flavoring agents, coloring matter or dyes, and, if so desired, emulsifying and/or suspending

agents as well, together with such diluents as water, ethanol, glycerin and various like combinations thereof.

For parenteral administration, suspensions containing a compound of the invention in, for example, aqueous propylene glycol can be employed. The suspensions should be suitably buffered (preferably pH>8) if necessary and the liquid diluent first rendered isotonic. The aqueous suspensions are suitable for intravenous injection purposes. The preparation of such suspensions under sterile conditions is readily accomplished by standard pharmaceutical techniques well-known to those skilled in the art. Additionally, it is possible to administer the compounds of the invention topically and this may preferably be done by way of creams, jellies, gels, pastes, ointments and the like, in accordance with standard pharmaceutical practice.

The compounds of the invention can be employed as the sole active agent in a pharmaceutical composition or can be used in combination with other active ingredients, *e.g.*, other agents useful in diseases or disorders.

The amount of active ingredient that is to be combined with the carrier materials to produce a single dosage form will vary depending upon the host treated and the particular mode of administration. The specific dose level for any particular patient will depend on a variety of factors including the activity of the specific compound employed, the age, body weight, general health, sex, diet, time of administration, route of administration, rate of excretion, drug combination, and the severity of the particular disease undergoing therapy. In some instances, dosage levels below the lower limit of the aforesaid range may be more than adequate, while in other cases still larger doses may be employed without causing any harmful side effects provided that such higher dose levels are first divided into several small doses for administration throughout the day. The concentrations of the active ingredient in therapeutic compositions will vary depending upon a number of

factors, including the dosage of the drug to be administered, the chemical characteristics (*e.g.*, hydrophobicity) of the active ingredient, and the route of administration. Typical dose ranges are from about 285 µg/kg of body weight per day in three divided doses; a preferred dose range is from about 42 µg/kg to about 171 µg/kg of body weight per day. The preferred dosage to be administered is likely to depend on such variables as the type and extent of progression of the disease or disorder, the overall health status of the particular patient, the relative biological efficacy of the compound selected, and formulation of the compound excipient, and its route of administration, as well as other factors, including bioavailability, which is in turn influenced by several factors well known to those skilled in the art.

Additional objects, advantages, and novel features of this invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art upon examination of the following examples thereof, which are not intended to be limiting.

All reactions were carried out in oven-dried or flame-dried glassware under an argon atmosphere, unless otherwise noted. All solvents were reagent grade. Diethyl ether and tetrahydrofuran (THF) were freshly distilled from sodium/benzophenone under argon before use. Dichloromethane, benzene and diisopropyl amine were freshly distilled from calcium hydride before use. Triethylamine and diisopropylethylamine were distilled from calcium hydride and stored over potassium hydroxide. Hexamethylphosphoramide was freshly distilled from calcium hydride. Anhydrous pyridine, dimethylformamide and dimethyl sulfoxide were purchased from Aldrich and used without purification. *n*-Butyllithium and *t*-butyllithium were purchased from Aldrich and standardized by titration with diphenylacetic acid.

Unless stated otherwise all reactions were magnetically stirred and monitored by thin layer chromatography using 0.25 mm E. Merck pre-coated silica gel plates. Flash

column chromatography was performed with the indicated solvents using silica gel-60 (particle size 0.040-0.062 mm) supplied by E. Merck. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically pure compounds, unless otherwise stated.

All melting points were determined on a Bristoline heated-stage microscope or a Thomas-Hoover apparatus and are corrected. The IR and NMR were obtained for $CHCl_3$ and $CDCl_3$ solutions respectively unless otherwise noted. Infrared spectra were recorded with a Perkin-Elmer Model 283B spectrometer using polystyrene as an external standard. Proton NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-500 spectrometer. Carbon-13 NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-500 or AM-250 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported relative to internal tetramethylsilane (d 0.00) for proton and chloroform (δ 77.0) or benzene (δ 128.0) for carbon-13. Optical rotations were obtained with a Perkin-Elmer model 241 polarimeter in the solvent indicated. High-resolution mass spectra were obtained at the University of Pennsylvania Mass Spectrometry Service Center on either a VG micromass 70/70H high resolution double-focusing electron impact/chemical ionization spectrometer or a VG ZAB-E spectrometer. Microanalyses were performed by Robertson Laboratories, Madison, New Jersey. Single-crystal X-ray diffraction structure determination were performed at the University of Pennsylvania using an Enraf Nonius CAD-4 automated diffractometer. High performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was performed using a Ranin component analytical/semi-prep system.

EXAMPLE 62

Alcohol (-)-8.

p-Methoxybenzyl alcohol (200 g, 1.45 mol) was added to a suspension of NaH (60% in mineral oil; 5.82 g, 0.146 mol) in anhydrous ether (450 mL) over 1 h at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 1 h and cooled to 0 °C. Trichloroacetonitrile (158 mL, 1.58 mol) was then introduced

over 80 min. After 1.5 h the solution was concentrated with the water bath temperature maintained below 40 °C. The residue was treated with a mixture of pentane (1.5 L) and MeOH (5.6 mL), stirred at room temperature for 30 min, and filtered through a short Celite column. Concentration gave the trichloroimidate (394.3 g) as a red oil which was used without further purification.

A solution of (*R*)-(-)-Roche ester (124.7 g, 1.06 mol) in CH_2Cl_2/cyclohexane (1:2, 1.5 L) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with trichloroimidate (364.3 g) and PPTS (13.3 g, 52.9 mmol). After 3 h, the mixture was warmed to room temperature, stirred for 40 h, and concentrated. Filtration through a short silica column (20% ethyl acetate/hexane) afforded the ester (303.5 g) as a slight yellow oil.

The ester (303.5 g) was divided into three portions for the next reaction. In each preparation, solution of crude ester (112.8 g) in anhydrous THF (1.0 L) was cooled to 0 °C and $LiAlH_4$ (1.0 M in THF, 560 mL, 0.560 mol) was added over 1 h. The mixture was warmed gradually to room temperature and stirred for 24 h. After dilution with ether (1.0 L) the mixture was cooled to 0 °C and quenched carefully with saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt (20 mL). The resultant mixture was then transferred to a 4-L flask, diluted with ether (1.0 L), and treated with additional Rochelle's solution (ca. 300 mL) with shaking until a solid precipitated. The solution was filtered, concentrated, and the residue (including the aqueous layer) was diluted with ether (700 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4, filtered and concentrated. The crude products of the three reactions were combined and distilled under vacuum, furnishing (-)-**8** (142.7 g, 74% yield for two steps) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -16.9° © 1.28, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3510 (m), 3015 (s), 2965 (s), 2940 (s), 2920 (s), 2870 (s), 2840 (m), 1618 (s), 1590 (m), 1517 (s), 1470 (s), 1445 (m), 1423 (m), 1365 (m), 1305 (s), 1250 (s), 1178 (s), 1092 (s), 1037 (s), 826 (m), 814 (m), 718 (w), 710 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ,

$CDCl_3$) d 7.23 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.43 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.7 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 13.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.61-3.54 (m, 2 H), 3.53 (ddd, J = 9.1, 4.7, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.38 (dd, J = 9.1, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.60 (br s, 1 H), 2.08-1.98 (m, 1 H), 0.90 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.2, 130.2, 129.2, 113.8, 75.0, 73.0, 67.7, 55.2, 35.6, 13.4; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) m/z 210.1252 [M^+; calcd for $C_{12}H_{18}O_3$: 210.1256].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{18}O_3$: C, 68.54; H, 8.63. Found: C, 68.41; H, 8.60.

EXAMPLE 2

Aldol (+)-10.

A solution of DMSO (40.0 mL, 564 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 L) was cooled to -78 °C and oxalyl chloride (23.0 mL, 263 mmol) was added over 1 h. After an additional 15 min, a cooled (-78 °C) solution of alcohol (-)-8 (38.0 g, 181 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) was introduced via a cannula over 15 min (20 mL rinse) and the resultant milky mixture was stirred 0.5 h further at -78 °C. I-Pr_2NEt (150 mL, 861 mmol) was then added over 15 min. The mixture was stirred for 30 min, slowly warmed to room temperature (70 min), and quenched with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 1.0 L). The organic phase was concentrated, diluted with ether (500 mL), washed with water (6 x 500 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated to give the corresponding aldehyde (38.0 g) as a colorless oil.

A solution of oxazolidinone (+)-**9** (44.3 g, 190 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (500 mL) was cooled to 0 °C. n-Bu_2BOTf (1.0 M in CH_2Cl_2, 199.0 mL, 199 mmol) was introduced over 0.5 h, followed by addition of NEt_3 (30.2 mL, 217 mmol) over 10 min. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 0.5 h and cooled to -78 °C. A precooled (-78 °C) solution of the above aldehyde in CH_2Cl_2 (100mL) was then added via a cannula over 30 min (2 x 20mL rinse). After 2 h at -78 °C and 2 h at 0 °C, the reaction was

quenched with pH 7 phosphate buffer (200 mL). The mixture was slowly treated with a solution of 30% H_2O_2 in MeOH (1:2, 600 mL) at 0 °C, stirred overnight at room temperature, and concentrated. The residue was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 250 mL) and the combined extracts were washed with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ and water (500 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (30% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**10** (70.9 g, 89% yield from **8**) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +278° © 0.49, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3470 (w, br), 3020 (m), 2980 (m), 2940 (m), 2920 (m), 2880 (m), 1790 (s), 1705 (m), 1620 (m), 1590 (w), 1520 (m), 1485 (w), 1460 (m), 1390 (m), 1360 (m), 1305 (w), 1230 (br, s), 1110 (m), 1080 (m), 1035 (m), 985 (m), 970 (m), 820 (w), 695 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.33-7.30 (m, 2 H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 5 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 4.67-4.63 (m, 1 H), 4.42 (apparent s, 2 H), 4.14 (apparent d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.93 (qd, *J* = 6.9, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.85 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 3.1, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.54 (apparent t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.54 (dd, *J* = 21.1, 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.28 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.76 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.98-1.93 (m, 1 H), 1.25 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 176.1, 159.2, 153.0, 135.3, 129.9, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 127.2, 113.7, 75.3, 74.5, 73.1, 66.0, 55.5, 55.2, 40.6, 37.7, 35.9, 13.5, 9.7; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 442.2243 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{25}H_{32}NO_6$: 442.2229].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{31}NO_6$: C, 68.01; H, 7.08. Found: C, 67.81; H, 7.26.

EXAMPLE 3

Common Precursor (+)-5.

A suspension of N,O-Dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (46.9 g, 481 mmol) in THF (250 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and $AlMe_3$ (2.0 M in hexane, 240 mL, 480 mmol) was added over 30 min. The resultant solution was warmed to room

temperature, stirred for 0.5 h and then cooled to -30 °C. A solution of oxazolidinone (+)-**10** (70.9 g, 161 mmol) in THF (150 mL) was introduced over 20 min via cannula (20 mL rinse). After 3 h, the solution was poured slowly into a mixture of aqueous HCl (1.0 N, 1.2 L) and CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 L) at 0 °C and the mixture was shaken vigorously for 1 h. The aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 500 mL) and the combined organic extracts were washed with water (3 x 1.0 L), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. The crude material was taken up in ethyl acetate/hexane (1:3, 150 mL) with vigorous stirring to precipitate most of the chiral auxiliary. Filtration, concentration and flash chromatography (20% acetone/hexane) afforded (+)-**5** (46.2 g, 88% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +144° © 0.41, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3470 (m, br), 3010 (s), 2975 (s), 2945 (s), 2915 (s), 2870 (s), 2845 (m), 1680 (s), 1590 (w), 1515 (s), 1465 (s), 1425 (m), 1390 (m), 1365 (m), 1310 (m), 1250 (s), 1180 (s), 1150 (m), 1090 (s), 1040 (s), 1000 (s), 825 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.25 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 4.44 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 17.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.95 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.70 (ddd, J = 8.2, 3.2, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.66 (s, 3 H), 3.62 (dd, J = 9.0, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.53 (dd, J = 9.1, 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.17 (s, 3 H), 3.04 (m, 1 H), 1.91-1.84 (m, 1 H), 1.17 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 178.0, 159.0, 130.6, 129.1, 113.7, 113.6, 73.8, 72.8, 72.6, 61.3, 55.1, 36.5, 36.0, 14.2, 10.4; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) m/z 326.1962 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{17}H_{28}NO_5$: 326.1967].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{27}NO_5$: C, 62.74; H, 8.36. Found: C, 62.74; H, 8.24.

EXAMPLE 4

Weinreb Amide (-)-11.

A mixture of common precursor (+)-**5** (337.3 mg, 1.04 mmol), 4 Å molecular sieves (344 mg), and CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with DDQ (310.3 mg, 1.37 mmol). After 1.5 h, the mixture was filtered through a short Celite column (50% ethyl acetate/hexane). The filtrate was washed with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ and water (100 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (30% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**11** (255.6 mg, 76% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -339° © 0.520, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3010 (s), 2970 (s), 2940 (m), 2880 (m), 2840 (m), 1663 (s), 1620 (s), 1592 (w), 1520 (s), 1466 (s), 1447 (m), 1425 (m), 1393 (s), 1375 (s), 1307 (m), 1253 (s), 1178 (s), 1120 (s), 1083 (s), 1035 (s), 1015 (m), 1000 (s), 930 (w), 830 (m), 700 (w), 660 (w), 620 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.46 (s, 1 H), 4.04 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.82 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.71 (s, 3 H), 3.51 (apparent t, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.19 (s, 3 H), 3.21-3.14 (m, 1 H), 1.98-1.92 (m, 1 H), 1.27 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.75 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 175.8, 159.8, 131.2, 127.2, 113.5, 100.7, 82.8, 72.8, 61.3, 55.3, 39.0, 33.8, 32.6, 13.1, 12.4; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 323.1736 [M^+; calcd for $C_{17}H_{25}NO_5$: 323.1732].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{25}NO_5$: C, 63.14; H, 7.79. Found: C, 63.18; H, 7.74.

EXAMPLE 5

Aldehyde (-)-12.

A solution of amide (-)-**11** (2.07 g, 6.40 mmol) in THF (70 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and $LiAlH_4$ (1.0 M in THF, 3.40 mL, 3.40 mmol) was added over 15 min. After 10 min at -78 °C and 10 min at 0 °C, the mixture was quenched with MeOH (1.0 mL), and partitioned between ethyl acetate and saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt (100 mL each). The organic phase was washed

with brine (100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (15% ethyl acetate/hexane) gave (-)-**12** (1.38 g, 80% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -7.8° © 0.46, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3015 (m), 2970 (m), 2940 (m), 2840 (m), 1735 (s), 1725 (s), 1615 (m), 1590 (w), 1520 (s), 1460 (s), 1390 (m), 1370 (m), 1305 (m), 1250 (s), 1170 (s), 1115 (s), 1085 (s), 1035 (s), 990 (m), 960 (m), 830 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.74 (apparent s, 1 H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.46 (s, 1 H), 4.13 (dd, J = 11.5, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.05 (dd, J = 10.4, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.56 (apparent t, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.56 (qd, J = 7.1, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.15-2.03 (m, 1 H), 1.23 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.80 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 204.0, 159.9, 130.7, 127.2, 113.5, 100.9, 81.6, 72.8, 55.2, 47.4, 30.3, 11.9, 7.1; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) m/z 265.1432 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{15}H_{21}O_4$: 265.1439].

EXAMPLE 6

Aldol (+)-13.

A solution of oxazolidinone (+)-**9** (21.6 g, 92.7 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (200 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and n-Bu_2BOTf (1.0 M in CH_2Cl_2, 86.1 mL, 86.1 mmol) was added over 0.5 h, followed by addition of NEt_3 (15.7 mL, 112.5 mmol) over 10 min. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h and cooled to -78 °C. A solution of aldehyde (-)-**12** (17.5 g, 66.2 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) was added over 10 min. After additional 20 min at -78 °C and 1 h at 0 °C, the reaction was quenched with pH 7 phosphate buffer (100 mL) and MeOH (300 mL), then slowly treated with a solution of 30% H_2O_2 in MeOH (1:1, 100 mL) at 0 °C. After 1 h, saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$ (100 mL) was added. The mixture was concentrated and the residue was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 250 mL). The combined extracts were washed with saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$, aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (10%), brine (200 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography

(10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**13** (26.3 g, 80% yield) as white crystals: mp 98-100 °C; $[\alpha]^{23}_{D}$ +13.5° © 1.19, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3690 (w), 3520 (w, br), 3020 (m), 2980 (m), 2940 (m), 2880 (w), 2850 (m), 1790 (s), 1695 (m), 1620 (m), 1595 (w), 1525 (m), 1505 (w), 1490 (w), 1465 (m), 1390 (s), 1365 (m), 1310 (m), 1260-1210 (m, br), 1175 (m), 1120 (s), 1085 (m), 1040 (m), 1020 (m), 985 (m), 970 (m), 930 (w), 830 (m), 700 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.45 (s, 1 H), 4.67-4.62 (m, 1 H), 4.14 (apparent d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 2 H), 4.08 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (apparent t, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.04-3.99 (m, 1 H), 3.76 (s, 3 H), 3.61 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (apparent t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.21 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.76 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 9.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.12-2.06 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.86 (m, 1 H), 1.31 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.07 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.74 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 177.1, 160.0, 152.7, 135.0, 131.0, 129.4, 128.9, 127.40, 127.39, 113.6, 101.2, 85.8, 74.5, 73.0, 66.0, 55.2, 54.9, 39.8, 37.7, 35.7, 30.4, 12.8, 11.7, 7.8; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 497.2410 [M^+; calcd for $C_{28}H_{35}NO_7$: 497.2413].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{28}H_{35}NO_7$: C, 67.58; H, 7.09. Found: C, 67.42; H, 7.02.

EXAMPLE 7

Acetal (+)-14.

A solution of alcohol (+)-**13** (26.3 g, 52.9 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (11.1 mL, 95.3 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (150 mL) was cooled to -20°C and TBSOTf (20.5 mL, 79.3 mmol) was added over 30 min. After additional 2 h at 0 °C, the mixture was diluted with ether (300 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 200 mL), brine (200 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (gradient elution, 5% -> 10% ethyl

acetate/hexane) afforded (+)-**14** (32.4 g, 100% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_{D}$ +20.3° © 1.32, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3025 (m), 2970 (m), 2940 (m), 2864 (m), 1788 (s), 1705 (m), 1620 (m), 1597 (w),1524 (m), 1503 (w), 1470 (m), 1447 (w), 1430 (w), 1395 (s), 1358 (m), 1307 (m), 1255 (s), 1135 (m), 1120 (s), 1075 (m), 1030 (m), 985 (m), 976 (m), 930 (m), 865 (m), 838 (s), 813 (m), 790 (m), 700 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.30-7.12 (m, 5 H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.44 (s, 1 H), 4.30 (dddd, *J* = 13.4, 7.3, 5.1, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.02 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.97 (dq, *J* = 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.740 (apparent t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.738 (s, 3 H), 3.48 (apparent t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.27 (apparent t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.15 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.59 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.05 (apparent qd, *J* = 7.4, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.02-1.94 (m, 1 H), 1.19 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.04 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.73 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 175.6, 159.9, 152.4, 135.5, 132.0, 129.4, 128.8, 127.8, 127.2, 113.4, 100.7, 80.7, 74.6, 73.1, 65.3, 55.3, 55.2, 41.4, 40.9, 37.4, 30.6, 26.0, 18.1, 15.0, 12.7, 11.5, -4.0, -4.6; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 612.3340 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{34}H_{50}NO_7Si$: 612.3356].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{34}H_{49}NO_7Si$: C, 66.74; H, 8.07. Found: C, 66.69; H, 7.98.

EXAMPLE 8

Alcohol (-)-15.

A solution of acetal (+)-**14** (32.0 g, 52.3 mmol) in THF (600 mL) was cooled to -30 °C and EtOH (6.14 mL, 105 mmol) was added, followed by addition of $LiBH_4$ (2.0 M in THF, 52.3 mL, 105 mmol) over 15 min. After additional 1 h at 0 °C and 12 h at room temperature, the mixture was diluted with ether (1.0 L), quenched carefully with aqueous NaOH (1.0 N, 200 mL) and

stirred for 2 h at room temperature. The layers were separated and the organic phase was washed with brine (500 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (20% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**15** (18.7 g, 81% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -36.1° © 1.15, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3630 (w), 3480 (w, br), 3010 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2885 (m), 2860 (s), 1620 (m), 1594 (w), 1523 (s), 1468 (s), 1445 (w), 1430 (w), 1395 (m), 1365 (m), 1307 (m), 1255 (s), 1175 (m), 1165 (m),1150 (m), 1120 (s), 1080 (s), 1030 (s), 990 (m), 968 (m), 910 (s), 860 (m), 833 (s), 700 (m), 645 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.38 (s, 1 H), 4.08 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.84 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.53 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.55-3.52 (m, 1 H), 3.47 (apparent t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.44 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.08-1.97 (m, 2 H), 1.94 (dqd, *J* = 7.1, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.76 (br s, 1 H), 1.02 (d, *J* = 7.1, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.73 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), 0.00 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 131.4, 127.3, 113.5, 101.0, 82.9, 74.3, 73.3, 66.3, 55.2, 38.7, 37.8, 30.7, 26.1, 18.3, 12.2, 11.1, 10.7, -4.0, -4.2; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 439.2889 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{43}O_5Si$: 439.2879].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{24}H_{42}O_5Si$: C, 65.71; H, 9.65. Found: C, 65.51; H 9.54.

EXAMPLE 9

Tosylate (-)-16.

A solution of alcohol (-)-**15** (5.00 g, 11.4 mmol) in anhydrous pyridine (30 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with TsCl (3.91 g, 20.5 mmol). After 30 min at 0 °C and 5 h at room temperature, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (20 mL). The mixture was diluted with ether (200 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M), aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (10%), brine (200 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated.

Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**15** (6.76 g, 100% yield) as white solid: mp 71-72 °C; $[\alpha]^{23}_{D}$ -23.2° © 1.42, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3020 (m), 3000 (m), 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2880 (m), 2855 (s), 1617 (m), 1600 (m), 1590 (m), 1518 (m), 1495 (w), 1462 (s), 1390 (m), 1360 (s), 1302 (m), 1250 (s), 1190 (s), 1178 (s), 1120 (s), 1098 (s), 1085 (s), 1070 (s, 1032 (s), 963 (s), 900 (m), 830 (s), 810 (s), 653 (m); ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2 H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.36 (s, 3 H), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.85 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.71 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.48 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.45 (apparent t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.40 (s, 3 H), 2.15 (dqd, *J* = 13.9, 7.0, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.05-1.96 (m, 1 H), 1.83 (dqd, *J* = 7.1, 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.82 (s, 9 H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.69 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), -0.04 (s, 3 H), -0.11 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 144.6, 133.2, 131.3, 129.7, 127.9, 127.3, 113.5, 100.9, 82.0, 73.7, 73.2, 73.0, 55.2, 38.4, 35.5, 30.6, 26.0, 21.6, 18.3, 12.2, 10.6, 10.3, -3.9, -4.3; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 593.2955 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{31}H_{49}O_7SSi$: 593.2968].

EXAMPLE 10

Fragment (-)-A.

From Tosylate (-)-**16**: A solution of Tosylate (-)-**16** (6.76 g, 11.4 mmol) in anhydrous DMF (50 mL) was treated with NaI (17.1 g, 114.0 mmol), heated at 60 °C for 1.5 h, and cooled to room temperature. The mixture was diluted with ether (200 mL), washed with water (200 mL), saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$ (100 mL), brine (200 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (3% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**A** (5.87 g, 94 % yield) as a colorless oil.

From Alcohol (-)-**15**: A solution of alcohol (-)-**15** (4.70 g, 10.7 mmol), PPh_3 (4.21 g, 16.1 mmol) and imidazole

(1.09 g, 16.1 mmol) in benzene/ether (1:2, 75 mL) was treated with I_2 (4.08 g, 16.1 mmol) under vigorous stirring. The mixture was stirred 1 h then diluted with ether (200 mL), washed with saturated $Na_2S_2O_3$, brine (100 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) furnished (-)-**A** (5.56 g, 95% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -39.3° © 2.01, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3015 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2860 (m), 1620 (w), 1520 (m), 1465 (m), 1430 (w), 1390 (m), 1305 (w), 1255 (s), 1230 (m), 1215 (m), 1205 (m), 1170 (m), 1120 (m), 1070 (m), 1035 (m), 990 (w), 970 (w), 930 (w), 830 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.40 (s, 1 H), 4.09 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.85 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.48 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.47 (apparent t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.18-3.12 (m, 2 H), 2.11-2.00 (m, 2 H), 1.84 (ddq, *J* = 7.1, 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.02 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.72 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 131.4, 127.4, 113.4, 100.9, 82.4, 75.5, 73.2, 55.3, 39.6, 38.7, 30.7, 26.2, 18.4, 14.7, 14.5, 12.2, 10.7, -3.7, -3.8; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 548.1833 [(M)$^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{41}IO_4Si$: 548.1819].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{24}H_{41}O_4ISi$: C, 52.55; H, 7.53. Found: C, 52.77; H, 7.68.

EXAMPLE 11

Amide (+)-17.

A solution of common precursor (+)-**5** (12.1 g, 37.2 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (7.80 mL, 70.0 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (90 mL) was cooled to 0°C and *tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (12.8 mL, 55.8 mmol) was added over 10 min. After 1.5 h, the mixture was diluted with Et_2O (100 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M), brine (200 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash

chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexanes) provided (+)-**17** (16.4 g, 100% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_{D}$ +9.49° © 1.47, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3018 (s), 2970 (s), 2945 (s), 2900 (m), 2870 (s), 1658 (s),1620 (m), 1592 (w), 1520 (s), 1470 (s), 1448 (m), 1425 (m), 1393 (m), 1367 (m), 1308 (m), 1255 (s), 1213 (s), 1185 (m), 1178 (m), 1115 (s), 1084 (s), 1042 (s), 1000 (s), 940 (w), 928 (w), 871 (s), 839 (s), 770 (s), 726 (s), 664 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.21 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.7, 2 H), 4.36 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 17.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.92 (dd, J = 8.2, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.55 (s, 3 H), 3.54 (dd, J = 9.2, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.13 (dd, J = 9.2, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.09 (s, 3 H), 3.15-3.09 (m, 1 H), 1.92-1.87 (m, 1 H), 1.09 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.04 (apparent s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 176.8, 159.1, 130.9, 129.2, 113.7, 76.0, 72.7, 71.9, 61.1, 55.2, 39.3, 38.9, 26.1, 18.4, 15.3, 15.0, -3.87, -3.93; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 440.2823 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{42}NO_5Si$: 440.2832].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{41}NO_5Si$: C, 62.83; H, 9.40. Found: C, 63.05; H, 9.32.

EXAMPLE 12

Aldehyde (+)-18.

A solution of amide (+)-**17** (9.19 g, 20.9 mmol) in THF (350 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and DIBAL (1.0 M in hexane, 44.0 mL, 44.0 mmol) was added over 30 min. After 0.5 h at -78 °C, the reaction was quenched with MeOH (10 mL). The mixture was diluted with ether (500 mL), washed with saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt, brine (300 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) gave (+)-**18** (7.05 g, 89% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_{D}$ +23.2° © 1.49, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2860 (s), 1730 (s), 1610 (m), 1583 (w), 1510 (m), 1460 (m), 1373 (m), 1360 (w), 1300 (m), 1245 (s), 1170 (m), 1085

(m), 1033 (s), 933 (w), 835 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.67 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 4.37 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 23.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.18 (dd, J = 6.1, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.41 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.31 (dd, J = 9.2, 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.47 (qdd, J = 7.1, 3.7, 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.03-1.95 (m, 1 H), 1.08 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.84 (s, 9 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H), -0.03 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 204.8, 159.2, 130.5, 129.2, 113.8, 72.7, 72.4, 71.7, 55.3, 50.0, 38.3, 25.9, 18.2, 14.3, 8.4, -4.1, -4.4; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 403.2304 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{21}H_{36}O_4SiNa$: 403.2280].

EXAMPLE 13

Bromo Ester 19.

A solution of aldehyde (+)-**18** (822.1 mg, 2.16 mmol) in benzene (20 mL) was treated with $Ph_3P{=}CBrCO_2Et$ (2.28 g, 5.34 mmol), heated at reflux for 40 h and cooled to room temperature. The mixture was filtered through a short silica column (20% ethyl acetate/hexane) and concentrated. Flash chromatography (3% ethyl acetate/hexane) afforded Z- Bromo ester (-)-**19** (861.4 mg, 75% yield) and E-Bromo Ester (+)-**19** (101.0 mg, 8.8% yield).

Z-Bromo Ester (-)-**19**: Colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -6.38° © 1.85, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2860 (s), 1725 (s), 1618 (m), 1590 (w), 1515 (s), 1468 (m), 1390 (m), 1370 (m), 1303 (m), 1250 (s, br), 1176 (m), 1090 (s), 1037 (s), 1008 (m), 950 (m), 940 (m), 840 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, C_6D_6) d 7.45 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 4.37 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 19.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.99, (dq, J = 10.8, 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.94 (dq, J = 10.8, 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.82 (apparent t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.41 (dd, J = 9.1, 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.31 (s, 3 H), 3.30 (dd, J = 9.2, 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.13-3.06 (m, 1 H), 2.05 (apparent septet, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.013 (d,

J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.006 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.97 (s, 9 H), 0.92 (apparent t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 162.5, 159.1, 149.6, 130.8, 129.0, 114.9, 113.7, 75.5, 72.6, 72.2, 62.4, 55.3, 40.2, 38.9, 26.0, 18.3, 14.2, 14.1, 13.7, -4.0, -4.2; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) m/z 546.2270 [$(M+NH_4)^+$; calcd for $C_{25}H_{45}NO_5BrSi$: 546.2251].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{41}O_5BrSi$: C, 56.70; H, 7.80. Found: C, 56.96; H, 7.86.

E-Bromo Ester (+)-**19**. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +3.2° © 1.65, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2965 (s), 2940 (s), 2905 (m), 2890 (m), 2865 (s), 1720 (s), 1617 (m), 1590 (w), 1518 (s), 1468 (s), 1375 (s), 1350 (m), 1305 (m), 1250 (s, br), 1177 (m), 1090 (s), 1035 (s), 1007 (m), 950 (m), 840 (s), 675 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.23 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.56 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.39 (apparent s, 2 H), 4.24 (dq, J = 10.8, 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.22 (dq, J = 10.8, 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.61 (dd, J = 5.5, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.43 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.39-3.32 (m, 1 H), 3.24 (dd, J = 9.1, 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.98-1.90 (m, 1 H), 1.30 (apparent t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.00 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 162.8, 159.1, 151.9, 130.8, 129.1, 113.7, 110.2, 76.3, 72.6, 72.2, 62.1, 55.2, 38.8, 26.1, 18.3, 14.7, 14.1, 13.9, -4.06, -4.10; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) m/z 529.1982 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{25}H_{42}BrO_5Si$: 529.1985].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{41}O_5BrSi$: C, 56.70; H, 7.80. Found: C, 56.83; H, 7.99.

EXAMPLE 14

Allylic Alcohol (-)-20.

A solution of ester (-)-**19** (858.4 mg, 1.62 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (16 mL) was cooled to -78°C and DIBAL (1.0 M in hexane, 3.60 mL, 3.60 mmol) was added over 10 min. After 5 min at -78

°C and 10 min at room temperature, the reaction was quenched with MeOH (200 mL), followed by addition of saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt dropwise with stirring until a solid precipitated. The solution was separated by decanting (3 x 30 mL rinse, ethyl acetate) and the combined organic solutions were dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**20** (674.5 mg, 85% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -15.5° © 2.51, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3600 (w), 3420 (w, br), 3010 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2890 (m), 2860 (s), 1618 (m), 1590 (w), 1520 (s), 1470 (m), 1380 (m), 1315 (m), 1307 (m), 1255 (s), 1178 (m), 1085 (s), 1039 (s), 1010 (m), 972 (m), 940 (m), 840 (s), 675 (m), 660 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.24 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.88 (br d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.39 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 18.3 Hz, 2 H), 4.16 (apparent d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.59 (apparent t, J = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.48 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.23 (dd, J = 9.2, 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.82-2.76 (m, 1 H), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.97 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.024 (s, 3 H), 0.016 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.1, 134.1, 130.9, 129.1, 125.1, 113.7, 76.5, 72.6, 72.3, 68.4, 55.3, 39.1, 38.7, 26.1, 18.4, 14.9, 14.3, -3.9, -4.0; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 487.1873 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{40}O_4BrSi$: 487.1879].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{39}O_4BrSi$: C, 56.66; H, 8.06. Found: C, 56.72; H, 8.07.

EXAMPLE 15

Mesylate (-)-21.

A solution of alcohol (-)-**20** (6.85 g, 14.1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (150 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and MsCl (2.20 mL, 28.4 mmol) was added over 2 min. After 10 min, the reaction was quenched with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 100 mL). The organic phase was washed with water (100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated.

Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) afforded (-)-**21** (7.85 g, 99% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -14.6° © 1.40, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3020 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2880 (m), 2860 (s), 1730 (w), 1610 (m), 1583 (m), 1510 (s), 1460 (m), 1410 (m), 1362 (s), 1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1220 (s), 1175 (s), 1080 (s), 1032 (s), 1002 (m), 960 (m), 937 (s), 835 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.23 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.07 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.74 (d, J = 0.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.38 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.7 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 25.5 Hz, 2 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.61 (apparent t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.44 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.22 (dd, J = 9.2, 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.01 (s, 3 H), 2.84-2.77 (m, 1 H), 1.99-1.91 (m, 1 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.1, 140.9, 130.8, 129.2, 116.7, 113.8, 76.1, 74.2, 72.6, 72.1, 55.3, 39.6, 38.8, 38.5, 26.0, 18.3, 14.7, 14.3, -3.9, -4.0; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 582.1911 [$(M+NH_4)^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{45}NO_6BrSSi$: 582.1920].

EXAMPLE 16

Vinyl Bromide (-)-22.

A solution of mesylate (-)-**21** (6.43 g, 11.4 mmol) in benzene (120 mL) was treated with $LiBHEt_3$ (1.0 M in THF, 25.0 mL, 25.0 mmol) at room temperature. After 0.5 h, the reaction was quenched with aqueous NaOH (1.0 N, 50 mL). The mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (200 mL), washed with brine (2 x 200 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**22** (4.86 g, 91%) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -16.9° © 1.69, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3005 (m), 2965 (s), 2935 (s), 2860 (s), 1660 (w), 1610 (m), 1585 (w), 1510 (m), 1460 (m), 1425 (w), 1377 (m), 1360 (m), 1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1180 (m), 1170 (m), 1075 (s), 1030 (m), 860 (m), 835 (s), 805 (m), 660 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.24 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H),

5.47 (apparent dd, J = 9.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.39 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.7 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 15.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.56 (apparent t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (dd, J = 9.1, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.22 (dd, J = 8.8, 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.74-2.67 (m, 1 H), 2.21 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.99-1.91 (m, 1 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H), 0.00 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.1, 133.4, 131.0, 129.1, 120.6, 113.7, 76.7, 72.6, 72.5, 55.3, 39.7, 38.7, 28.8, 26.1, 18.4, 14.8, 14.4, -3.96, -4.01; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 493.1763 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{39}O_3BrSiNa$: 493.1750].

EXAMPLE 17

Vinyl Silane (-)-23.

A solution of vinyl bromide (-)-**22** (83.2 mg, 0.177 mmol) in THF (2.0 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and n-BuLi (1.6 M in hexane, 260 ml, 416 mmol) was added over 10 min. After 1 h at -78 °C and 15 min at room temperature, the reaction was quenched with H_2O (200 mL). The mixture was concentrated and dissolved in ethyl acetate (30 mL), washed with water (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**23** (47.9 mg, 69% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -61.5° © 0.615, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3680 (w), 3470 (m, br), 1614 (m), 1588 (w), 1513 (s), 1465 (m), 1442 (m), 1415 (m), 1360 (m), 1302 (m), 1250 (s), 1176 (m), 1120 (m), 1077 (m), 1032 (m), 992 (m), 830 (s), 820 (s), 805 (s) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.22 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.22 (dq, J = 10.5, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.42 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.4 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 18.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.65 (br s, 1 H), 3.56 (dd, J = 9.1, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.44 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.42 (apparent t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.45 (dqd, J = 10.3, 6.6, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.95-1.87 (m, 1 H), 1.78 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.91 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.80 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.4, 147.7, 130.8, 129.7,

129.4, 113.9, 79.9, 76.4, 73.3, 55.3, 38.1, 36.3, 27.1, 26.6, 17.8, 13.4, 13.1, -3.4, -3.7; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 393.2821 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{41}O_3Si$: 393.2824].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{40}O_3Si$: C, 70.36; H, 10.27. Found: C, 70.58; H, 10.57.

EXAMPLE 18

***trans* Olefin (+)-24.**

A solution of vinyl bromide (-)-**22** (27.8 mg, 0.0591 mmol) in ether (600 µL) was cooled to - 78 °C, and *t*-BuLi (1.7 M in pentane, 103 µL, 0.175 mmol) was added over 2 min. After 10 min at -78 °C and 5 min at room temperature, the reaction was quenched with MeOH (100 mL). The mixture was filtered through a short silica plug, and concentrated. Flash chromatography (1% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**24** (21.9 mg, 94% yield) as a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +19.3° © 1.10, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3000 (m), 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2880 (m), 2860 (s), 1612 (m), 1587 (w), 1510 (s), 1462 (m), 1440 (m), 1405 (w), 1375 (m), 1360 (m), 1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1170 (m), 1090 (s), 1034 (s), 1002 (m), 970 (m), 934 (w), 850 (m), 832 (s), 720 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, C_6D_6) d 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 5.43 (ddq, *J* = 15.3, 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.34 (dqd, *J* = 15.4, 6.3, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.38 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.7 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 30.7 Hz, 2 H), 3.58 (apparent t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.57 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.36 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.30 (s, 3 H), 2.39 (ddq, *J* = 6.8, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.17-2.10 (m, 1 H), 1.58 (apparent d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.07 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.05 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (s, 9 H), 0.10 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.0, 135.6, 131.1, 129.1, 123.9, 113.7, 78.4, 72.6, 72.5, 55.3, 40.4, 37.9, 26.2, 26.1, 18.4, 18.0, 15.9, 15.1, -3.8, -4.1; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 393.2836 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{41}O_3Si$: 393.2824].

EXAMPLE 19

Alcohol (-)-25.

A solution of PMB ether (-)-**22** (50.0 mg, 0.106 mmol) and PMB acetal (-)-**15** (46.5 mg, 0.106 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2.0 mL) was cooled to 0 °C, then treated with H_2O (100 mL) and DDQ (26.5 mg, 0.117 mmol). After 30 min, the mixture was diluted with ether (60 mL), washed with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (60 mL), brine (3 X 60 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (gradient elution, 5% -> 10% ethyl acetate/hexane) afforded (-)-**25** (31.0 mg, 83% yield) and recovered (-)-**15** (40.0 mg, 86% recovery).

(-)-**25**: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -13.3° © 0.99, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3640 (w), 3520 (m), 3000 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2890 (m), 2860 (s), 1660 (w), 1472 (m), 1465 (m), 1440 (m), 1407 (m), 1390 (m), 1380 (m), 1360 (m), 1258 (s), 1072 (s), 1023 (s), 1005 (s), 980 (m), 937 (m), 847 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 5.50 (apparent dd, *J* = 9.0, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.65 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.59 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 5.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.56 (apparent t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.80- 2.72 (m,1 H), 2.25 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 3 H), 2.20 (br s, 1 H),1.86-1.78 (m, 1 H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 132.6, 121.7, 79.7, 65.6, 40.9, 38.8, 28.9, 26.1, 18.3, 15.5, 15.0, -3.9, -4.0; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 351.1087 [M^+; calcd for $C_{15}H_{31}O_2BrSi$: 351.1093].

EXAMPLE 20

Alcohol (+)-26.

A solution of amide (+)-**17** (323.5 mg, 0.738 mmol) in EtOH (8.0 mL) was stirred for 5 h under H_2 atmosphere in the presence of Pearlman's catalyst (20% $Pd(OH)_2/C$, 104.1 mg), then filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10 mL silica, 20% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**26** (216.7 mg, 92% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +16.1° © 2.60, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$)

3480 (m, br), 3000 (s), 2958 (s), 2935 (s), 2880 (s), 2860 (s), 1635 (s), 1460 (s), 1415 (m), 1390 (s), 1360 (m), 1285 (w), 1255 (s), 1174 (m), 1148 (m), 1093 (s), 1070 (s), 1047 (s), 1033 (s), 990 (s), 935 (m), 905 (w), 860 (s), 830 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 4.05 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.69 (s, 3 H), 3.55-3.50 (m, 1 H), 3.23 (ddd, *J* = 10.1, 10.1, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.13 (s, 3 H), 3.09 (br m, 1 H), 2.81 (br m, 1 H), 1.91-1.83 (m, 1 H), 1.14 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.879 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.879 (s, 9 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 177.3, 75.2, 64.9, 61.5, 40.8, 38.2, 32.2, 26.0, 18.2, 15.9, 12.8, -4.1, -4.3; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 320.2265 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{15}H_{34}NO_4Si$: 320.2256].

EXAMPLE 21

Aldehyde (+)-27.

A solution of alcohol (+)-**26** (8.80 g, 27.5 mmol) and NEt_3 (15.3 mL, 110 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) was cooled to -10 °C and treated with SO_3.pyr (13.1 g, 82.6 mmol) in DMSO (100 mL). After 20 min at room temperature, the mixture was diluted with ether (300 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 200 mL), brine (4 x 200 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (20% ethyl acetate/hexane) afforded (+)-**27** (8.55 g, 98% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +51.2° © 1.00, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3010 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2895 (m), 2865 (m), 1750 (m), 1720 (s), 1647 (s), 1460 (s), 1420 (m), 1390 (s), 1360 (m), 1255 (s), 1180 (m), 1105 (m), 1077 (m), 1040 (s), 995 (s), 936 (m), 853 (s), 837 (s), 710 (m), 657 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.68 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.68 (s, 3 H), 3.10 (apparent s, 4 H), 2.46 (qdd, *J* = 7.1, 2.6, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.16 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.10 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.092 (s, 3 H), 0.088 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 203.2, 175.6, 75.1, 61.5, 52.1, 39.6, 32.1, 25.9, 18.2, 15.4,

10.2, -4.07, -4.11; high resolution mass spectrum (CI,NH_3) *m/z* 318.2096 [(M+H)$^+$; $C_{15}H_{32}NO_4Si$: 318.2100].

EXAMPLE 22

Dithiane (+)-28.

A solution of $ZnCl_2$ (dried at 140 °C for 1 h under vacuum, 170.5 mg, 1.25 mmol) in ether (6.0 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and $(TMSSCH_2)_2CH_2$ (175.0 µL, 0.628 mmol) was added. The resultant white milky suspension was treated with aldehyde (+)-**27** (180.0 mg, 0.567 mmol) in ether (6.0 mL). The mixture was stirred for 4.5 h at 0 °C and 1.5 h at room temperature, then partitioned between ethyl acetate (50 mL) and aqueous ammonia (30 mL). The organic phase was washed with brine (2 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**28** (182.9 mg, 79% yield) as a white solid: mp 55-57 °C; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +18.5° © 1.44, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3015 (m), 2970 (s), 2945 (s), 2910 (m), 2870 (m), 1665 (s), 1475 (m), 1470 (m), 1437 (m), 1430 (m), 1420 (m), 1390 (m), 1365 (m), 1320 (w), 1280 (m), 1260 (m), 1120 (m), 1115 (m), 1097 (m), 1080 (m), 1065 (m), 1040 (m), 1000 (m), 940 (w), 925 (w), 910 (w), 877 (m), 838 (s), 815 (m), 800 (m), 700 (w), 675 (w), 660 (w) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 4.33 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.68 (s, 3 H), 3.15 (s, 3 H), 2.98 (dq, *J* = 6.8, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.90 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 12.2, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.83-2.77 (m, 3 H), 2.09-2.03 (m, 1 H), 1.94 (ddq, *J* = 7.2, 7.2, 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.88-1.76 (m, 1 H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.07 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.13 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 176.2, 73.2, 61.0, 50.8, 44.2, 38.6, 31.3, 30.3, 26.2, 18.4, 12.9, 11.0, -4.1, -4.2; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 408.2081 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{18}H_{38}NO_3S_2Si$: 408.2062].

Anal. Calcd. for $C_{18}H_{37}NO_3S_2Si$: C, 53.03; H, 9.15. Found: C, 53.06; H, 9.31.

EXAMPLE 23

Aldehyde (+)-29.

A solution of dithiane (+)-**28** (1.05 g, 2.58 mmol) in THF (40 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and DIBAL (1.0 M in hexane, 5.15 mL, 5.15 mmol) was added over 15 min. After 10 min at -78 °C, the mixture was quenched with MeOH (2.0 mL) and partitioned between ether and saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt (50 mL each). The organic phase was washed with brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**29** (822 mg, 91% yield) as white solid: mp 54-55 °C; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +50.8° © 1.19, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2965 (s), 2940 (s), 2910 (s), 2865 (s), 2720 (w), 1730 (s), 1475 (m), 1467 (m), 1428 (m), 1418 (m), 1390 (m), 1365 (m), 1280 (m), 1260 (s), 1190 (m), 1150 (m), 1104 (s), 1070 (m), 1030 (s), 1007 (m), 953 (m), 940 (m), 910 (m), 835 (s), 810 (m), 675 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.70 (s, 1 H), 4.44 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.38 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.93 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 12.3, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.84-2.80 (m, 3 H), 2.43 (qd, *J* = 7.1, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.13-2.07 (m, 1 H), 2.02 (dqd, *J* = 8.2, 7.1, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.88-1.79 (m, 1 H), 1.10 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.05 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.16 (s, 3 H), -0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 204.6, 71.1, 51.0, 49.7, 43.5, 31.3, 30.3, 26.2, 26.0, 18.4, 12.9, 6.8, -3.9, -4.3; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 349.1678 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{16}H_{33}O_2S_2Si$: 349.1691].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{32}O_2S_2Si$: C,55.12; H, 9.25. Found: C, 55.08; H, 9.28.

EXAMPLE 24

Dimethoxy Acetal (+)-30.

A solution of aldehyde (+)-**29** (792 mg, 2.27mmol) in $HC(OMe)_3$/MeOH (48 mL, 1:5) was treated with $TsOH{\cdot}H_2O$ (8.6 mg, 0.045 mmol) at room temperature. After 30 min, NEt_3 (1.0 mL)

was added and the mixture was concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**30** (886 mg, 99% yield) as a white solid: mp 58-59 °C; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +27.1° © 2.85, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2905 (s), 2860 (m), 2835 (m), 1473 (m), 1463 (m), 1432 (m), 1425 (m), 1415 (m), 1387 (m), 1362 (m), 1340 (w), 1278 (m), 1252 (s), 1190 (m), 1158 (m), 1104 (s), 1070 (m), 1050 (m), 1030 (s), 1005 (m), 963 (m), 938 (m), 908 (m), 873 (m), 834 (s), 810 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 4.41 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.23 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.02 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.29 (s, 3 H), 3.26 (s, 3 H), 2.93 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 12.4, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.85-2.78 (m, 3 H), 2.11-2.05 (m, 1 H), 1.93-1.77 (m, 3 H), 1.00 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.91 (s, 9 H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.17 (s, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 105.0, 71.5, 53.0, 51.5, 51.2, 43.8, 37.4, 31.3, 30.2, 26.3, 18.8, 12.9, 8.1, -3.8, -4.3; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 417.1934 [$(M+Na)^+$; calcd for $C_{18}H_{38}O_3S_2SiNa$: 417.1930].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{38}O_3S_2Si$: C, 54.78; H, 9.70. Found: C, 54.80; H, 9.66.

EXAMPLE 25

Hydroxy Acetal (-)-32.

A solution of dithiane (+)-**30** (3.60 g, 9.12 mmol) in 10% HMPA/THF (60 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and treated with *t*-BuLi (1.7 M in pentane, 5.63 mL, 9.58 mmol) dropwise over 15 min. The mixture was stirred 1 h at -78 °C and 1 h at -42 °C, then recooled to -78 °C. A solution of benzyl *R*-(-)-glycidyl ether (1.65 g, 10.0 mmol) in 10% HMPA/THF (12 mL) was added via cannula. After 0.5 h, the reaction mixture was warmed to -42 °C for 0.5 h and quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (20 mL). The mixture was diluted with ether (200 mL), washed with water, brine (200 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) afforded (-)-**32** (4.04 g, 79% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}$

-5.9° © 2.1, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3450 (w, br), 3020 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2910 (m), 2860 (m), 2840 (m), 1605 (w), 1500 (w), 1475 (m), 1468 (m), 1458 (m), 1440 (m), 1430 (m), 1393 (m), 1387 (m), 1365 (m), 1280 (w), 1255 (m), 1233 (m), 1203 (m), 1167 (w), 1153 (w), 1110 (s), 1060 (m), 1045 (m), 1030 (m), 1010 (m), 980 (w), 940 (m), 910 (w), 860 (m), 837 (s), 800 (m), 695 (m), 670 (m), 660 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.35-7.25 (m, 5 H), 4.64 (dd, J = 4.0, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.57 (ABq, J_{AB} = 12.1 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 17.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.21 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.14-4.09 (m, 1 H), 3.48 (dd, J = 9.5, 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.47 (dd, J = 9.6, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.37 (d, J = 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.36 (s, 3 H), 3.29 (s, 3 H), 3.08 (ddd, J = 14.4, 11.4, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.95 (ddd, J = 14.4, 11.3, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.71-2.64 (m, 2 H), 2.59 (dqd, J = 6.7, 6.7, 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.49 (dd, J = 15.6, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.30 (dq, J = 4.0, 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.27 (dd, J = 15.6, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.04-2.00 (m, 1 H), 1.86-1.78 (m, 1 H), 1.18 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 138.2, 128.4, 127.6, 106.9, 74.4, 73.3, 70.0, 67.9, 55.7, 53.6, 52.6, 47.2, 39.4, 38.5, 26.3, 26.1, 26.0, 25.0, 18.3, 9.8, 9.5, -3.9, -4.9; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 581.2763 [(M+Na)*; calcd for $C_{28}H_{50}O_5S_2SiNa$: 581.2767].

EXAMPLE 26

Ketone (+)-33.

A solution of hydroxy acetal (-)-**32** (3.94 g, 7.05 mmol) in H_2O/MeOH (1:9, 75 mL) was treated with $(CF_3CO_2)_2IPh$ (4.55 g, 10.6 mmol) at 0 °C. After 5 min, the mixture was quenched with saturated $NaHCO_3$ (20 mL) and extracted with ether (200 mL). The organic phase was washed with brine (200 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (20% ethyl acetate/hexane) furnished (+)-**33** (2.66 g, 80% yield) as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +36° © 0.36, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3580 (w, br), 3005 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s),

2900 (m), 2860 (m), 1710 (m), 1463 (m), 1455 (m), 1387 (m), 1362 (m), 1253 (m), 1220 (m), 1105 (s), 1070 (s),1053 (s), 1030 (s), 1002 (m), 938 (m), 866 (m), 830 (s), 808 (m), 690 (m), 660 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.34-7.25 (m, 5 H), 4.54 (apparent s, 2 H), 4.40-4.25 (m, 1 H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.19 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.43 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.27 (s, 3 H), 3.25 (s, 3 H), 3.01 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.76 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 8.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.74 (dq, *J* = 7.1, 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.62 (dd, *J* = 17.9, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.83 (dqd, *J* = 8.0, 7.0, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.83 (s, 9 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H), -0.05 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 213.0, 138.0, 128.4, 127.71, 127.68, 105.0, 73.4, 73.3, 71.8, 66.5, 52.9, 52.6, 52.3, 46.5, 37.9, 26.1, 18.4, 12.7, 8.8, -4.1, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 491.2821 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{25}H_{44}O_6SiNa$: 491.2805].

EXAMPLE 27

Diol (-)-34.

A solution of $Me_4NBH(OAc)_3$ (1.80 g, 6.84 mmol) in HOAc/CH_3CN (1:1, 10.0 mL) was cooled to -40 °C and ketone (+)-**33** (536 mg, 1.14 mmol) in CH_3CN (5 mL) was added. After 12 h at -20 °C, the mixture was treated with saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt (20 mL) and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated $NaHCO_3$, brine (100 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (1:1:1, CH_2Cl_2/ether/hexane) provided (-)-**34** (519 mg, 97% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -7.78° © 0.900, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3680 (w), 3460 (m, br), 3015 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2900 (m), 2865 (s), 1470 (m), 1460 (m),1390 (m), 1365 (m), 1260 (m), 1230 (m), 1208 (m), 1112 (s), 1065 (s), 1030 (m), 1010 (m), 942 (m), 865 (m), 838 (m), 698 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.33-7.30 (m, 4 H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1 H), 4.55 (ABq, J_{AB} = 12.0 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 15.7 Hz, 2

H), 4.16-4.11 (m, 1 H), 4.13 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.73 (br s, 1 H), 3.68 (dddd, J = 9.3, 9.3, 2.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd, J = 9.6, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.42 (dd, J = 9.4, 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.38 (s, 3 H), 3.29 (s, 3 H), 3.09 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.90 (dqd, J = 7.0, 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.76 (br dd, J = 13.6, 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.68 (dqd, J = 9.6, 6.9, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.49 (ddd, J = 14.3, 9.0, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 0.894 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.886 (s, 9 H), 0.80 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.055 (s, 3 H), 0.048 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 138.2, 128.4, 127.7, 127.6, 107.3, 74.5, 73.3, 71.0, 70.9, 67.8, 55.2, 52.1, 45.9, 37.3, 36.9, 25.9, 18.2, 11.6, 10.6, -4.3, -4.7; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 493.2951 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{25}H_{46}O_6SiNa$: 493.2962].

EXAMPLE 28

Alcohol (-)-35.

A solution of (-)-**34** (123.3 mg, 0.262 mmol) in benzene (10 mL) was treated with $TsOH \cdot H_2O$ (2.0 mg, 0.0105 mmol) at room temperature. After 20 min, the mixture was quenched with NEt_3 (1.0 mL) and concentrated. Flash chromatography (2% ether/CH_2Cl_2) afforded **35** (100.1 mg, β/α = 2:1, 87% yield) as a colorless oil.

β Anomer (**35**): $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -3.3° © 2.25, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3680 (w), 3580 (w), 3490 (w), 3010 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2880 (m), 2860 (s), 1603 (w), 1525 (w), 1515 (w), 1493 (m), 1470 (m), 1460 (m), 1450 (m), 1387 (m), 1360 (m), 1347 (m), 1330 (m), 1253 (s), 1225 (m), 1200 (m), 1143 (m), 1110 (s), 1070 (s), 1045 (s), 1020 (s), 1015 (m), 1003 (m), 985 (m), 950 (m), 870 (m), 853 (m), 833 (s), 807 (m), 800 (m), 790 (m), 690 (m), 670 (m), 657 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.34-7.25 (m, 5 H), 4.69 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.55 (ABq, J_{AB} = 12.0 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 14.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.17-4.12 (m, 1 H), 3.78 (ddd, J = 9.7, 9.7, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.60 (apparent t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, J = 9.5, 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.42 (s, 3 H), 3.39 (dd, J = 9.5,

7.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.86 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.88 (apparent qt, J = 7.1, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.76 (ddd, J = 14.4, 8.9, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.72-1.65 (m, 1 H), 1.53 (ddd, J = 14.4, 9.3, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 0.90 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.78 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 138.2, 128.4, 127.7, 101.2, 76.7, 74.7, 73.3, 73.0, 67.4, 56.6, 41.1, 36.0, 34.7, 25.9, 18.1, 13.7, 9.7, -4.6, -4.9; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 461.2693 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{42}O_5SiNa$: 461.2699].

α Anomer (**35**): $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +48° © 0.54, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3670 (w), 3570 (w), 3480 (w, br), 3005 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2880 (m), 2855 (s), 1600 (w), 1527 (w), 1515 (w), 1495 (w), 1460 (m), 1360 (m), 1253 (s), 1225 (m), 1212 (m), 1200 (m), 1170 (m), 1148 (m), 1106 (s), 1087 (s), 1048 (s), 1030 (s), 963 (m), 872 (m), 833 (s), 788 (m), 690 (m) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.34-7.24 (m, 5 H), 4.55 (ABq, J_{AB} = 12.1 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 14.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.30 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.12-4.07 (m, 1 H), 4.01 (ddd, J = 9.2, 9.2, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (apparent t, J = 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (dd, J = 9.5, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.39 (dd, J = 9.5, 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.28 (s, 3 H), 2.86 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.85 (qdd, J = 7.3, 5.2, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.76 (dqd, J = 9.3, 6.9, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.71 (ddd, J = 14.5, 9.0, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.55 (ddd, J = 14.4, 9.2, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 0.96 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.81 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR d 138.2, 128.4, 127.7, 101.2, 76.7, 74.7, 73.3, 73.0, 67.4, 56.7, 41.1, 36.0, 34.7, 25.9, 18.1, 13.7, 9.7, -4.6, -4.9; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 461.2715 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{42}O_5SiNa$: 461.2699].

EXAMPLE 29

Methyl Pyranoside 36.

A solution of **35** (281.2 mg, β/α = 2:1, 0.642 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (224.0 µL, 1.92 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (6.0 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and TBSOTf (295.0 µL, 1.28 mmol) was added over 5 min.

After 1 h at 0 °C, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (100 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 50 mL), brine (100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided **36** (344.6 mg, β/α = 2:1, 97% yield) as a colorless oil.

α anomer: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +50.0° © 1.44, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2885 (s), 2860 (s), 1490 (w), 1460 (m), 1388 (m), 1378 (m), 1360 (m), 1250 (s), 1190 (m), 1145 (m), 1105 (s), 1085 (s), 1050 (s), 1025 (s), 1002 (s), 963 (m), 934 (m), 867 (m), 833 (s), 690 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.32-7.25 (m, 5 H), 4.51 (ABq, J_{AB} = 12.1 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 19.7 Hz, 2 H), 4.23 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.03 (dddd, J = 8.0, 5.3, 5.3, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.87 (ddd, J = 9.9, 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.53 (dd, J = 7.2, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.39 (dd, J = 9.8, 5.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.37 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.33 (s, 3 H), 1.79 (dqd, J = 7.1, 7.1, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.71-1.64 (m, 2 H), 1.53 (ddd, J = 14.4, 8.8, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 0.94 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.865 (s, 9 H), 0.862 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), 0.005 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 138.5, 128.3, 127.6, 127.5, 103.8, 75.5, 73.2, 72.8, 69.8, 69.1, 55.7, 38.9, 38.5, 37.6, 26.0, 25.8, 18.18, 18.16, 15.1, 12.9, -3.9, -4.6, -4.7, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 575.3552 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{30}H_{56}O_5Si_2Na$: 575.3564].

β anomer: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +13.3° © 1.38, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3003 (m), 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2880 (s), 2860 (s), 1495 (w), 1470 (m), 1464 (m), 1390 (m), 1360 (m), 1350 (m), 1330 (w), 1253 (s), 1155 (s), 1140 (s), 1120 (s), 1090 (s), 1045 (s), 1022 (s), 1002 (s), 953 (m), 933 (m), 850 (s), 830 (s), 690 (m), 658 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.32-7.22 (m, 5 H), 4.74 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (ABq, J_{AB} = 13.2 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 17.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.23-4.18 (m, 1 H), 3.74 (ddd, J = 10.6, 10.6, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.60 (apparent t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.48 (s, 3 H), 3.38 (dd, J = 9.8, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.35 (dd, J = 9.8, 5.7 Hz, 1 H),

1.88 (qdd, J = 7.1, 2.7, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.66 (ddd, J = 14.0, 10.1, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.63-1.55 (m, 1 H), 1.49 (ddd, J = 14.0, 10.8, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 0.91 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.785 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.045 (s, 3 H), 0.040 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 138.5, 128.2, 127.6, 127.4, 100.6, 76.9, 75.8, 73.2, 71.7, 67.9, 56.7, 41.1, 38.4, 35.0, 26.1, 25.8, 18.2, 18.1, 14.0, 9.7, -3.9, -4.5, -5.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 575.3560 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{30}H_{56}O_5Si_2Na$: 575.3564].

EXAMPLE 30

Primary Alcohol 37.

A solution of **36** (331.6 mg, 0.600 mmol) in EtOH/EtOAc (1:8, 9 mL) was treated with Pd/C (10% wet, E101 NE/W, 51.2 mg) under H_2 atmosphere for 3 h, then filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided **37** (276.6 mg, β/α = 2:1, 99% yield) as a colorless oil.

β anomer: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +16.9° © 2.52, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3680 (w), 3590 (w, br), 3450 (w, br), 3000 (m), 2960 (s), 2925 (s), 2880 (m), 2855 (s), 1470 (m), 1462 (m), 1388 (m), 1360 (m), 1253 (s), 1222 (m), 1200 (m), 1150 (m),1130 (m), 1110 (s), 1098 (m), 1065 (s), 1046 (s), 1023 (s), 1002 (m), 980 (m), 952 (m), 894 (m), 865 (m), 850 (m), 830 (s), 663 (m), 657 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 4.73 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.09-4.05 (m, 1 H), 3.64 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.60 (apparent t, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.62-3.59 (m, 1 H), 3.47 (s, 3 H), 3.47-3.42 (m, 1 H), 1.95-1.85 (m, 2 H), 1.82 (ddd, J = 14.3, 9.2, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.60 (dqd, J = 10.2, 6.8, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.45 (ddd, J = 14.3, 10.7, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 0.895 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 0.887 (apparent s, 18 H), 0.785 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 100.8, 76.8, 72.2, 69.5, 67.6, 56.8, 41.0, 38.2, 34.9, 25.9, 25.8, 18.1, 14.0, 9.7, -4.2, -4.6, -4.7, -5.0; high

resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 485.3080 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{50}O_5SiNa$: 485.3094].

α anomer: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +54.9° © 1.20, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3670 (w), 3590 (w) 3440 (w, br), 3000 (m), 2960 (s), 2925 (s), 2880 (m), 2855 (s), 1463 (m), 1390 (m), 1360 (m), 1255 (s), 1225 (m), 1192 (m), 1168 (m), 1143 (m), 1102 (s), 1083 (s),1045 (s), 1030 (m), 1002 (m), 963 (m), 932 (m), 862 (m), 833 (s) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 4.25 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.89 (dddd, *J* = 6.5, 4.6, 4.6, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.80 (ddd, *J* = 9.1, 9.1, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.61 (br dd, *J* = 10.9, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.52-3.48 (m, 1 H), 3.33 (s, 3 H), 2.15 (s, br, 1 H), 1.81 (dqd, *J* = 6.9, 6.9, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.72-1.60 (m, 3 H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.882 (s, 9 H), 0.879 (s, 9 H), 0.845 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H), 0.00 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 104.0, 72.7, 71.3, 70.0, 67.6, 55.7, 38.7, 38.5, 37.3, 25.8, 18.13, 18.08, 15.2, 13.1, -4.4, -4.6, -4.7; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 485.3081 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{50}O_5Si_2Na$: 485.3094].

EXAMPLE 31

Alcohol 38.

A solution of **37** (276.6 mg, 0.598 mmol) in Et_2O (40 mL) was treated with EtSH (8.90 mL, 120 mmol) and $MgBr_2.Et_2O$ (1.54 g, 5.96 mmol) at room temperature. After 60 h, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), washed with brine (2 x 100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (3% acetone/hexane) provided **38** α (34.4 mg, 12% yield) and **38** β (211.3 mg, 71% yield).

β anomer: colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +16.6° © 1.18, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3595 (m), 3400 (m, br), 3000 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2855 (s), 1655 (w), 1612 (s), 1588 (m), 1510 (s), 1462 (s), 1375 (m), 1360 (m), 1300 (m), 1250 (s, br), 1170 (m), 1080

(s, br), 1030 (s), 1002 (m), 967 (m), 835 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 5.08 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.04-4.00 (m, 1H), 3.62 (ddd, *J* = 10.4, 10.4, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.60 (ddd, *J* = 11.1, 11.1, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.56 (apparent t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.43 (ddd, *J* = 11.7, 7.9, 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.70 (dq, *J* = 12.7, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.67 (dq, *J* = 12.8, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.95 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.86 (qdd, *J* = 7.1, 2.7, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.79 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 9.0, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.66-1.59 (m, 1 H), 1.57 (s, 3 H), 1.45 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 10.5, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.27 (apparent t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.79 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.083 (s, 3 H), 0.075 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 81.0, 76.2, 75.0, 69.8, 67.6, 41.9, 38.3, 34.5, 25.9, 25.8, 25.2, 18.1, 15.2, 14.4, 11.5, -4.2, -4.56, -4.63, -4.9; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 515.3037 [(M+Na); calcd for $C_{24}H_{52}O_4SSi_2Na$: 515.3023].

α anomer: colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +94.5° © 0.33, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3680 (w), 3580 (w), 3440 (w, br), 3010 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2880 (m), 2860 (s), 1513 (w), 1470 (m), 1462 (m), 1390 (m), 1380 (m), 1360 (m), 1257 (s), 1225 (m), 1200 (m), 1114 (m), 1070 (s), 1047 (s), 1022 (m), 1002 (m), 957 (m), 860 (m), 833 (s), 705 (s), 660 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 4.76 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.04 (ddd, *J* = 9.8, 9.8, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.84 (dddd, *J* = 5.0, 5.0, 5.0, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.57 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.53 (apparent t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.47 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (dq, *J* = 12.8, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.54 (dq, *J* = 12.8, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.97-1.91 (m, 1 H), 1.75 (ddd, *J* = 14.7, 6.1 Hz, 2.0, 1 H), 1.72-1.65 (m, 1 H), 1.60 (ddd, *J* = 14.9, 10.0, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.60-1.50 (br, 1 H), 1.23 (apparent t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.12 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 85.3, 73.8, 71.5, 69.2, 67.5, 40.6, 38.2, 36.4, 26.4, 26.1, 25.9, 18.2, 18.1, 17.5, 14.7, 13.9, -4.2,

-4.4, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 515.3045 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{52}O_4SSi_2Na$: 515.3023].

EXAMPLE 32

Fragment (+)-C.

A solution of DMSO (100 µL, 1.42 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2.0 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and oxalyl chloride (55.0 µl, 0.630 mmol) was introduced dropwise. After 15 min. a cooled (-78 °C) solution of **38** α (104.8 mg, 0.213 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 mL) was introduced via cannula (2 x 500 µL rinse). The resultant milky solution was stirred for 15 min at -78 °C and *I*-Pr_2NEt (370 µl, 2.12 mmol) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 0.5 h, slowly warmed to room temperature (15 min), and quenched with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 4.0 mL). The organic phase was diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with brine (3 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) furnished (+)-**C** (88.8 mg, 86% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +11.2° © 1.42, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2880 (s), 2860 (s), 1735 (s), 1470 (m), 1460 (m), 1380 (m), 1360 (m), 1320 (m), 1295 (w), 1265 (s), 1153 (m), 1120 (m), 1080 (m), 1060 (s), 1043 (s), 1025 (s), 1003 (s), 970 (m), 950 (m), 935 (m), 903 (m), 865 (m), 835 (s), 800 (m), 690 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.56 (d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.07 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.35 (ddd, *J* = 7.9, 2.2, 0.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.70 (ddd, *J* = 10.3, 10.3, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.57 (apparent t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.71-2.60 (m, 2 H), 1.86 (apparent qt, *J* = 7.1, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.78 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 10.4, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.72-1.66 (m, 1 H), 1.67 (ddd, *J* = 10.3, 3.9, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.25 (apparent t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.78 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.10 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 6 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 202.6, 81.2, 76.1, 74.9, 73.7, 41.9, 35.8, 34.4, 25.82, 25.79, 25.2, 18.2, 18.1, 15.3, 14.3,

11.5, -4.2, -4.5, -4.9, -5.2; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 491.3058 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{51}O_4SSi_2$: 491.3046].

EXAMPLE 33

Fragment (-)-B.

From vinyl bromide (-)-**22**: A solution of (-)-**22** (3.78 g, 8.04 mmol) in HMPA/DMF (2:1, 6 mL) was added to a mixture of KI (4.15 g, 250 mmol), $NiBr_2$ (34.9 mg, 0.160 mmol), and Zn powder (23.2 mg, 0.355 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min then heated to 90 °C. The green color mixture turned black-brown after 5 min and dark green after 1 h. After additional 1 h at 90 °C, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with ethyl acetate (200 mL), washed with brine (4 x 200 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided **B** (3.59 g, containing 13% unreacted vinyl bromide) as a colorless oil.

From aldehyde (+)-**18**: A suspension of $EtPh_3P^+I^-$ (15.1 g, 36.1 mmol) in THF (200 mL) was treated with *n*-BuLi (1.6 M in hexane, 23.0 mL, 36.8 mmol) at room temperature over 10 min. After an additional 10 min, the resultant red solution was added via cannula to a cooled (-78°C) solution of I_2 (8.02 g, 31.6 mmol) in THF (300 mL) over 15 min. The yellow slurry formed was stirred at -78 °C for 5 min and at -23 °C for 10 min. NaHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 31.0 mL, 31.0 mmol) was added over 8 min and the mixture stirred 15 min further. A solution of aldehyde (+)-**18** (6.96 g, 18.3 mmol) in THF (50 mL) was introduced via cannula (10mL rinse), and the reaction mixture was stirred at -23 °C for 10 min, warmed to room temperature, stirred for 3 h, and then quenched with MeOH (10 mL). Following concentration and filtration through a silica column (50% ethyl acetate/hexane), the filtrate was washed with saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$, brine (300 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5%

ethyl acetate/hexane) furnished **B** (6:1 Z/E, 3.94 g, 41% yield) as a colorless oil.

An analytical sample of (-)-**B** was obtained by reversed-phase HPLC (gradient elution, 90% CH_3CN/H_2O -> 100% CH_3CN): $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -23° © 0.30, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3000 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2880 (m), 2855 (s), 1610 (m), 1588 (w), 1510 (s), 1463 (m), 1453 (m), 1428 (m), 1405 (w), 1390 (m), 1377 (m), 1360 (m), 1303 (m), 1250 (s), 1180 (m), 1172 (m), 1080 (s, br), 1033 (s), 1002 (m), 948 (m), 935 (m), 922 (m), 833 (s), 803 (m), 760 (m, br), 720 (m), 658 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.25 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.28 (apparent dd, J = 8.9, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.41 (ABq, J_{AB} = 7.0 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 10.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.80 (s, 3 H), 3.60 (apparent t, J = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, J = 9.1, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.23 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.54-2.47 (m, 1 H), 2.44 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 3 H), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1 H), 1.00 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.1, 139.6, 131.0, 129.1, 113.7, 98.9, 76.5, 72.6, 72.5, 55.3, 44.5, 38.7, 33.5, 26.1, 18.4, 14.7, 14.5, -3.95, -3.99; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 541.1626 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{23}H_{39}O_3ISiNa$: 541.1611].

EXAMPLE 34

Olefin (-)-39.

$ZnCl_2$ (1.32 g, 9.69 mmol) was dried at 160 °C under vacuum overnight and then treated with a solution of (-)- **A** (5.25 g, 9.59 mmol) in dry Et_2O (50 mL) via a cannula (2 x 25 mL rinse). The mixture was stirred at room temperature until most of the $ZnCl_2$ dissolved and cooled to -78 °C. *t*-BuLi (1.7 M in pentane, 17.0 mL) was added over 30 min, and the resultant solution was stirred 15 min further, warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 1 h. The solution was added by cannula to a mixture of **B** (3.21 g, 6.19 mmol; 6:1 Z/E) and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (364.0 mg, 0.315 mmol). The mixture was covered with

aluminum foil, stirred overnight, and then diluted with ethyl acetate (100 mL), washed with brine (2 x 100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) gave (-)-**39** (3.32 g, 66% yield) as a white semisolid: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -28.6° © 1.53, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3010 (m), 2970 (s), 2940 (s), 2865 (s), 1620 (m), 1590 (w), 1520 (s), 1465 (s), 1445 (m), 1390 (m), 1380 (m), 1360 (m), 1305 (m), 1250 (s), 1175 (m), 1115 (s), 1080 (s), 1040 (s), 970 (m), 940 (w), 860 (m), 835 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.36 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 5.37 (s, 1 H), 5.00 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.36 (ABq, J_{AB} = 11.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 17.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.08 (dd, J = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.61 (dd, J = 7.1, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, J = 9.9, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.47 (apparent t, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (dd, J = 9.1, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.38 (dd, J = 6.0, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.19 (apparent t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.51 (ddq, J = 10.1, 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.32 (apparent t, J = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.08-2.02 (m, 1 H), 1.99-1.93 (m, 2 H), 1.88 (dqd, J = 7.1, 7.1, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 (br d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.55 (d, J = 0.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.74 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), 0.013 (s, 3 H), 0.008 (s, 3 H), 0.003 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 159.0, 132.0, 131.5, 131.2, 131.1, 129.0, 127.3, 113.7, 113.5, 101.1, 83.4, 78.49, 78.46, 73.3, 72.6, 72.5, 55.3, 38.8, 38.2, 37.5, 35.6, 33.7, 30.8, 26.27, 26.25, 23.1, 18.42, 18.40, 17.0, 14.6, 12.6, 12.1, 10.9, -3.5, -3.7, -3.8, -3.9; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 835.5315 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{47}H_{80}O_7Si_2Na$: 835.5341].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{47}H_{80}O_7Si_2$: C, 69.41; H, 9.91. Found: C, 69.52; H, 10.10.

EXAMPLE 35

Alcohol (-)-40.

A solution of olefin (-)-**39** (2.65 g, 3.26 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (32 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with H_2O (1.50 mL) and DDQ (774 mg, 3.41 mmol). After 4 h, the mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and filtered through a silica column (50% ethyl acetate/hexane). Following concentration, the residue was dissolved in EtOH (50 mL) and treated with $NaBH_4$ (500 mg, excess) at room temperature to reduce the contaminated *p*-methoxybenzyl aldehyde. After 0.5 h, the mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (50 mL) at 0 °C then concentrated. The residue was partitioned between CH_2Cl_2 (200 mL) and water (100 mL). The organic phase was washed with water (100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**40** (2.06 g, 91% yield) as a white solid. mp 99-100 °C; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -25.4° © 1.35, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3520 (w), 3010 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2880 (m), 2860 (m), 1620 (m), 1593 (w), 1520 (m), 1565 (m), 1390 (m), 1360 (m), 1255 (s), 1175 (m), 1165 (m), 1117 (m), 1075 (s), 1037 (s), 1025 (s), 1005 (m), 982 (m), 965 (m), 930 (w), 835 (s), 800 (m), 705 (w), 675 (w), 660 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.37 (s, 1 H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.09 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.65 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.63 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.54-3.50 (m, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.47 (apparent t, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.59 (ddq, *J* = 13.2, 6.7, 6.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.33 (apparent t, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.24 (apparent t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.09-1.95 (m, 2 H), 1.89 (dqd, *J* = 7.0, 7.0, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.84-1.77 (m, 1 H), 1.72 (br d *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.58 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.910 (s, 9 H), 0.905 (s, 9 H), 0.75 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.74 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H),

0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 133.0, 131.5, 130.5, 127.3, 113.4, 101.0, 83.3, 81.6, 78.4, 73.3, 65.4, 55.3, 38.5, 38.2, 37.6, 37.0, 33.7, 30.8, 26.17, 26.16, 23.2, 18.4, 18.3, 17.4, 15.7, 12.6, 12.1, 10.9, -3.57, -3.61, -3.66, -3.9; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 693.4918 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{39}H_{73}O_6Si_2$: 693.4945].

Anal. Calcd for $C_{39}H_{72}O_6Si_2$: C, 67.58; H, 10.47. Found: C, 67.30; H, 10.54.

EXAMPLE 36

Phosphonium Salt (-)-49.

A solution of alcohol (-)-**40** (402.8 mg, 0.577 mmol) in PhH/Et_2O (1:2, 45 mL) was treated with PPh_3 (532 mg, 2.03 mmol) and imidazole (158 mg, 2.32 mmol). After the imidazole dissolved, I_2 (437 mg, 1.72 mmol) was added under vigorous stirring. The mixture was stirred 2 h and then treated with NEt_3 (2 mL). The resultant yellow suspension was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$ (100 mL), saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (100 mL), and brine (2 x 100 mL). The organic phase was dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Filtration through a short silica column (NEt_3/ethyl acetate/hexane, 2:10:90) removed triphenylphosphine oxide, affording the impure iodide **42**. Preparative TLC (500 mm silica gel plate, 4% acetone/hexane) furnished an analytical sample as an unstable white solid: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.37 (s, 1 H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.08 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.62 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.47 (apparent t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.37 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.32 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.99 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.50 (ddq, *J* = 10.2, 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.31 (apparent t, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.08-1.95 (m, 2 H), 1.88 (dqd, *J* = 7.1, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.85-1.78 (m,

1 H), 1.74 (br d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.57 (apparent s, 3 H), 1.01 (apparent d, J = 7.0 Hz, 6 H), 0.91-0.89 (m, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.74 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$/1% pyridine-d_5, 20 mg sample) d 159.8, 132.9, 131.5, 130.4, 127.3, 113.5, 101.1, 83.3, 79.6, 78.5, 73.3, 55.3, 41.4, 38.3, 37.6, 36.0, 33.7, 30.8, 26.20, 26.17, 23.2, 18.4, 17.7, 17.3, 13.5, 12.6, 12.2, 10.9, -3.5, -3.6, -4.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 803.3935 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{39}H_{72}O_5ISi_2$: 803.3963].

The very sensitive impure iodide (obtained by filtration through silica) was quickly mixed with I-Pr_2NEt (300 µL, 1.72 mmol) and PPh_3 (2.47 g, 9.42 mmol). The mixture was heated at 80 °C for 24 h, then cooled to room temperature and extracted with hexane (2 x 30 mL). The residue was purified by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/$CHCl_3$) furnishing (-)-**49** (224.9 mg, 37% yield from (-)-**39**) as a pale yellow foam. The hexane extract was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) affording a mixture of cyclization products (200 mg). Further purification by normal phase HPLC (1.5% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**50** as the major cyclization product.

Wittig reagent (-)-**49**: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -25.3° © 1.48, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2860 (m), 1615 (m), 1590 (w), 1515 (m), 1485 (w), 1460 (m), 1440 (m), 1385 (m), 1360 (m), 1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1215 (m, br), 1180 (m), 1110 (s), 1080 (m), 1025 (m), 1005 (m), 965 (m), 945 (w), 860 (m), 830 (s), 732 (m), 725 (m), 710 (m), 680 (m), 653 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$; concentration dependent) d 7.82-7.76 (m, 15 H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.35 (s, 1 H), 5.30 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (dd, J = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.73-3.67 (m, 2 H), 3.56 (dd, J = 7.0, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.48 (dd, J = 9.8, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (apparent t, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.31 (ddd, J = 15.6, 11.2, 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.49

(ddq, J = 10.5, 6.4, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.25 (apparent t, J = 12.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.10-1.92 (m, 3 H), 1.85 (dqd, J = 7.1, 7.1, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.57-1.52 (m, 1 H), 1.56 (s, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.852 (s, 9 H), 0.849 (s, 9 H), 0.72-0.71 (m, 3 H), 0.71 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.69 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.10 (s, 3 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H), -0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.07 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 135.2 (J_{CP} = 2.6 Hz), 133.5 (J_{CP} = 10.0 Hz), 132.9, 131.4, 130.6 (J_{CP} = 12.6 Hz), 130.3, 127.3, 118.4 (J_{CP} = 85.5 Hz), 113.4, 101.0, 83.2, 80.1 (J_{CP} = 14.0 Hz), 78.3, 73.2, 55.3, 38.1, 37.4, 36.0, 33.7 (J_{CP} = 4.4 Hz), 33.6, 30.7, 26.1, 25.5 (J_{CP} = 49.7 Hz), 22.9, 18.33, 18.29, 17.2, 17.1, 12.5, 12.1, 10.9, -3.2, -3.6, -3.7, -4.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 937.5708 [(M-I)$^+$; calcd for $C_{57}H_{86}O_5PSi_2$: 937.5751].

Olefin (-)50: white solid; mp 80-82 °C; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -18° © 0.48, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2955 (s), 2920 (s), 2880 (m), 2850 (s), 1640 (w), 1613 (m), 1588 (w), 1517 (m), 1460 (m), 1387 (m), 1360 (m),1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1178 (m), 1170 (m), 1160 (m), 1115 (m), 1080 (m), 1023 (s), 1000 (m), 980 (m), 960 (m), 930 (w), 887 (m), 855 (m), 830 (m), 715 (m) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, C_6D_6) d 7.62 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.46 (s, 1 H), 5.00 (s, 1 H), 4.95 (s, 1 H), 3.93 (dd, J = 11.1, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.89 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.55 (dd, J = 9.9, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (apparent t, J = 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.27 (s, 3 H), 3.22 (apparent t, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.32 (dd, J = 13.6, 3.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.27-2.20 (m, 1 H), 2.16 (dd, J = 13.7, 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.07-1.92 (m, 4 H), 1.87-1.80 (m, 1 H), 1.50-1.42 (m, 1 H), 1.18 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.10 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.04 (s, 9 H), 1.02 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (s, 9 H), 0.41 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.13 (s, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8 (q), 150.7 (q), 131.5 (q), 127.3, 113.4, 108.3 (CH_2), 101.0, 83.2, 81.9, 78.1, 73.3 (CH_2), 55.2, 49.9, 44.9, 41.4 (CH_2), 39.0 (CH_2), 38.3, 36.6, 33.4, 30.8, 26.3, 25.9, 18.5

(q), 18.2 (q), 17.8, 15.5, 12.9, 12.1, 11.0, -3.4, -3.7, -4.6, -4.7; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 697.4642 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{39}H_{70}O_5Si_2Na$: 697.4659].

EXAMPLE 37

Model Olefin (+)-43.

NaHMDS (0.6 M in PhMe, 9.46 mL, 5.68 mmol) was added over 10 min to a suspension of $(CH_3)_2CHP^+Ph_3\ I^-$ (2.52 g, 5.83 mmol) in PhMe (20 mL) at room temperature. After 15 min, the mixture was cooled to -78 °C, and aldehyde (+)-**18** (1.46 g, 3.84 mmol) in PhMe (15 mL) was introduced via a cannula (15mL rinse). After 20 min at -78 °C and 30 min at room temperature, the reaction was quenched with MeOH (1.0 mL). The solution was separated, and the oil residue was extracted with hexane (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic solutions were then concentrated and, and flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**43** (1.44 g, 92% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +8.07° © 2.57, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2925 (s), 2880 (s), 2855 (s), 1610 (m), 1585 (m), 1510 (s), 1460 (s), 1375 (m), 1360 (m), 1300 (m), 1245 (s), 1172 (m), 1085 (s, br), 1035 (s), 1003 (m), 970 (m), 950 (m), 935 (m), 862 (s), 835 (s) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.23 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.92 (d-quintet, *J* = 9.7, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.37 (apparent s, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.49 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.39 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.19 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.49 (ddq, *J* = 9.6, 6.7, 6.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1 H), 1.63 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.55 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3 H), 0.945 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.874 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.873 (s, 9 H), 0.01 (apparent s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) 159.0, 131.1, 129.7, 129.4, 129.1, 113.7, 78.6, 72.6, 55.3, 38.5, 36.0, 26.2, 25.8, 18.4, 17.9, 17.0, 14.8, -3.88, -3.95; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 407.2984 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{24}H_{43}O_3Si$: 407.2981].

EXAMPLE 38

Alcohol (+)-44.

A mixture of olefin (+)-**43** (387.6 mg, 0.954 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was treated with H_2O (500 µL) and DDQ (320 mg, 1.41 mmol). After 30 min at room temperature, the mixture was filtered through a short silica plug (50% ethyl acetate/hexane) and concentrated. Flash chromatography (3% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**43** (273.1 mg, 99% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +17.5° © 2.80, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3620 (w), 3500 (m, br), 2955 (s), 2925 (s), 2880 (s), 2860 (s), 1460 (s), 1405 (m), 1375 (m), 1360 (m), 1337 (m), 1252 (s), 1070 (s), 1050 (s), 1015 (s), 1002 (s), 978 (m), 933 (m), 832 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 4.92 (apparent d quintet, *J* = 9.7, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.66 (ddd, *J* = 11.0, 4.4, 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.52 (ddd, *J* = 11.0, 5.5, 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.42 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (ddq, *J* = 9.6, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.45 (apparent t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.85-1.78 (m, 1 H), 1.65 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.59 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 130.7, 128.5, 81.7, 65.5, 38.1, 37.4, 26.2, 25.8, 18.3, 17.9, 17.4, 15.9, -3.7, -3.9; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 287.2418 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{16}H_{35}O_2Si$: 287.2406].

EXAMPLE 39

Wittig reagent (+)-46.

Iodine (1.08 g, 4.24 mmol) was added to a solution of alcohol (+)-**44** (810 mg, 2.83 mmol), PPh_3 (1.11 g, 4.24 mmol) and imidazole (289 mg, 4.24 mmol) in benzene/ether (1:2, 21 mL) under vigorous stirring at room temperature. After 40 min, the mixture was diluted with ether (100 mL), washed with saturated $Na_2S_2O_3$ (50 mL), brine (100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (hexane) provided a mixture of **45/47/48** (1.06 g, 97% yield, 18:1:1) as a colorless oil;

This material was then treated with *I*-Pr_2NEt (928 µL, 5.33 mmol) and PPh_3 (7.01 g, 26.7 mmol) then heated at 80 °C for 13 h. The mixture was extracted with hexane (3 x 100 mL). The residue was purified by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/$CHCl_3$) providing Wittig reagent (+)-**48** (207.1 mg, 38% yield from (+)-**46**) as a pale yellow foam. The hexane extract was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (hexane) affording a mixture of two cyclization products (380 mg) and further purification by preparative TLC (hexane) afforded (-)-**49** and (-)-**50**.

Wittig reagent (+)-**46**: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +4.8° © 1.23, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2940 (s), 2860 (m), 1588 (w), 1482 (w), 1468 (m), 1460 (m), 1440 (s), 1380 (m), 1360 (w), 1310 (w), 1253 (m), 1230 (m), 1210 (m), 1110 (s), 1080 (m), 1050 (m), 1018 (m), 1000 (m), 995 (m), 860 (m), 832 (s), 800 (m), 708 (m), 680 (m), 652 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$; concentration dependent) d 7.81-7.67 (m, 15 H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (apparent t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.38 (ddd, *J* = 14.9, 14.9, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.25 (ddd, *J* = 15.6, 11.1, 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.42 (ddq, *J* = 9.7, 6.6, 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.10-2.00 (m, 1 H), 1.53 (s, 3 H), 1.43 (s, 3 H), 0.83 (s, 9 H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.75 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d, 135.3 (J_{cp} = 2.8 Hz), 133.3 (J_{cp} = 9.9 Hz), 131.0, 130.6 (J_{cp} = 12.4 Hz), 128.0, 118.2 (J_{cp} = 85.6 Hz), 80.4 (J_{cp} = 13.3 Hz), 36.0, 33.0 (J_{cp} = 4.0 Hz), 26.1, 25.6, 25.1 (J_{cp} = 50.8 Hz), 18.3, 18.1, 17.9, 16.4, -3.3, -4.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 531.3221 [(M-I)$^+$; calcd for $C_{34}H_{48}OPSi$: 531.3213].

Olefin (-)-47: Colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -14° © 0.36, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2860 (s), 1470 (m), 1460, 1370 (m), 1360 (m), 1250 (m), 1206 (w), 1165 (m), 1140 (m), 1070 (s), 1020 (s), 1000 (m), 932 (w), 908 (w), 897 (w), 853 (m), 830 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 3.63 (d, br, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.50 (apparent q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.28 (ddd,

J = 15.5, 7.7, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.13-2.03 (m, 1 H), 1.99-1.91 (m, 1 H), 1.60 (apparent br s, 3 H), 1.57 (apparent d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.91 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 0.85 (s, 9 H), 0.01 (apparent s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 138.9 (q), 122.0 (q), 82.9, 46.1, 36.4, 35.8 (CH_2), 25.9, 21.2, 20.4, 18.3 (q), 18.0, 14.3, -4.6, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) m/z 269.2310 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{16}H_{33}OSi$: 269.2300].

Olefin (-)-48: Colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -3.8° © 0.24, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2953 (s), 2925 (s), 2880 (m), 2855 (m), 1638 (w), 1470 (m), 1460 (m), 1385 (w), 1373 (m), 1360 (w), 1250 (m), 1135 (m), 1117 (m), 1100 (m), 1075 (m), 1028 (m), 1000 (m), 932 (w), 865 (m), 830 (s) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, C_6D_6) d 4.84-4.83 (m, 1 H), 4.79-4.77 (m, 1 H), 3.46 (apparent t, J = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.94-1.88 (m, 1 H), 1.87-1.78 (m, 2 H), 1.73 (ddd, J = 12.4, 7.3, 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.66 (apparent dd, J = 1.3, 0.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.45 (ddd, J = 12.2, 10.3, 8.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.00 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.99 (s, 9 H), 0.96 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, C_6D_6) d 147.4 (q), 110.3 (CH_2), 82.3, 53.1, 45.4, 37.5 (CH_2), 37.3, 26.1, 19.3, 18.4 (q), 18.0, 15.6, -4.4, -4.5; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) m/z 269.2315 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{16}H_{33}OSi$: 269.2300].

EXAMPLE 40

Alcohol (+)-51.

A solution of olefin (+)-**44** (70.9 mg, 0.28 mmol) in EtOH/EtOAc (1:8, 4.5 mL) was treated with Pd/C (10% wet, E101 NE/W, 15.2 mg) under H_2 atmosphere for 18 h. The mixture was then filtered through a short silica pipet and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (+)-**51** (70.8 mg, 100% yield) as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +28° © 0.15, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3680 (w), 3620 (w), 3500 (w, br), 3010 (m), 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2900 (m), 2885 (m), 2860 (m), 1522 (w),

1510 (w), 1470 (m), 1426 (m), 1420 (m), 1412 (m), 1387 (m), 1370 (m), 1255 (m), 1205 (m), 1070 (m), 1030 (m), 1013 (m), 1002 (m), 980 (m), 925 (m), 833 (s), 720 (m), 665 (m), 658 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 3.60-3.56 (m, 2 H), 3.46 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.46 (br s, 1 H), 1.89-1.81 (m, 1 H), 1.74-1.66 (m, 1 H), 1.64-1.56 (m, 1 H), 1.21 (ddd, *J* = 13.3, 8.9, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.09 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 9.6, 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.86 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.83 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.095 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 81.3, 66.3, 42.5, 37.8, 35.7, 26.1, 25.4, 23.8, 21.8, 16.4, 15.1, -3.9, -4.1; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 289.2565 [$(M+H)^+$; calcd for $C_{16}H_{37}O_2Si$: 289.2562].

EXAMPLE 41

Iodide (+)-52.

A solution of alcohol (+)-**51** (150 mg, 0.520 mmol), PPh_3 (205 mg, 0.780 mmol) and imidazole (53 mg, 0.780 mmol) in benzene/ether (1:2; 6.0 mL) was treated with iodine (198 mg, 0.780 mmol) under vigorous stirring at room temperature. After 40 min, the mixture was diluted with ether (100 mL), washed with saturated $Na_2S_2O_3$ (50 mL), brine (100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (hexane) provided (+)-**51** (195 mg, 94% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +24.2° © 2.21, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2900 (m), 2860 (s), 1470 (m), 1463 (m), 1425 (w), 1405 (w), 1382 (m), 1368 (m), 1360 (m), 1290 (w), 1255 (s), 1190 (m), 1170 (m), 1082 (s), 1065 (m), 1028 (m), 1003 (m), 970 (w), 932 (w), 832 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 3.41 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.38 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.72-1.56 (m, 3 H), 1.17 (ddd, *J* = 13.4, 8.3, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.09 (ddd, *J* = 13.3, 5.9, 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s,

3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 79.1, 43.7, 39.8, 33.8, 26.2, 25.3, 23.5, 22.0, 18.7, 18.5, 15.9, 14.4, -3.65, -3.71; high resolution mass spectrum (CI, NH_3) *m/z* 399.1572 [(M+H)$^+$; calcd for $C_{16}H_{36}OISi$: 399.1580].

EXAMPLE 42

Wittig Reagent (+)-53.

A mixture of Iodide (+)-**52** (195 mg, 0.489 mmol) and benzene (100 mL) was treated with *I*-Pr_2NEt (85 µL, 0.488 mmol) and PPh_3 (1.28 g, 4.88 mmol), then heated at 70 °C for 24 h. The mixture was extracted with hexane (3 x 20 mL). The residue was purified by flash chromatography (3% MeOH/$CHCl_3$) furnishing (+)-**53** (303 mg, 94% yield) as a white foam; $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ +3.3° © 2.14, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2950 (s), 2930 (s), 2855 (m), 1588 (w), 1482 (w), 1463 (m), 1438 (s), 1385 (m), 1365 (w), 1253 (m), 1225 (m), 1207 (m), 1110 (s), 1080 (m), 1032 (m), 1000 (m), 832 (s), 804 (m), 708 (m), 680 (m), 653 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.83-7.67 (m, 15 H), 3.70 (ddd, *J* = 15.6, 11.0, 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.52 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.45 (apparent t, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.08-1.97 (m, 1 H), 1.70-1.62 (m, 1 H), 1.51 (9 lines, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.09-0.97 (m, 2 H), 0.850 (s, 9 H), 0.79 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.77 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.74 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3 H), 0.68 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.12 (s, 3 H), 0.11 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 135.2 (J_{cp} = 2.7 Hz), 133.6 (J_{cp} =9.9 Hz), 130.6 (J_{cp} = 12.4 Hz), 118.5 (J_{cp} = 85.5 Hz), 80.1 (J_{cp} = 12.9 Hz), 43.5, 33.6, 32.6 (J_{cp} = 3.7 Hz), 26.2, 25.3 (J_{cp} = 51.1 Hz), 25.0, 23.4, 21.7, 18.6, 18.5, 13.7, -2.7, -3.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB,NBA) *m/z* 533.3369 [(M-I)$^+$; calcd for $C_{34}H_{50}OPSi$: 533.3357].

EXAMPLE 43

Olefin (-)-54.

Phosphonium salt (-)-**49** was dried azeotropically with anhydrous benzene and heated at 50 °C under vacuum for 3 h

before use. A solution of (-)-**49** (97.7 mg, 0.0917 mmol) in THF (700 µL) was cooled to -78 °C and treated with NaHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 85.5 µL, 0.0855 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 20 min at 0°C, recooled to -78 °C and aldehyde **C** (28.0 mg, 0.0570 mmol) in THF (300 µL) was added. After 10 min at -78 °C and 2 h at room temperature, the mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (1.0 mL) and extracted with ether (30 mL). The ether solution was washed with water, brine (30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**56** (50.0 mg, 76% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -44.9° © 2.09, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2855 (s), 1615 (m), 1587 (w), 1517 (m), 1463 (s), 1380 (m), 1360 (m), 1320 (m), 1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1170 (m), 1160 (m), 1120-1000 (s, br), 990 (m), 965 (m), 935 (m), 900 (m), 835 (s), 807 (m), 670 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.35 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.37 (s, 1 H), 5.27 (dd, J = 11.2, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.19 (apparent t, J = 10.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.08 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.06 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.68 (apparent t, J = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.08 (dd, J = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.68 (apparent t, J = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.61 (dd, J = 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.53 (apparent t, J = 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (dd, J = 9.9, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (apparent t, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.25 (apparent t, J = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.71-2.58 (m, 1 H), 2.68 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.62 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.50 (m, 1 H), 2.30 (apparent t, J = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.08-2.01 (m, 1 H), 1.98-1.90 (m, 1 H), 1.88 (dqd, J = 7.1, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.82 (apparent qt, J = 7.1, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.65 (br d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.62-1.57 (m, 2 H), 1.56 (d, J = 0.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.38 (ddd, J = 13.6, 10.7, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.29-1.22 (apparent t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H), 0.930 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.925 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 18 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.74 (apparent d, J = 6.6 Hz, 6 H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.04

(s, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), 0.019 (s, 3 H), 0.017 (s, 3 H), 0.013 (s, 3 H), 0.009 (s, 3 H), 0.00 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 134.4, 131.9, 131.8, 131.5, 131.4, 127.3, 113.4, 101.0, 83.4, 80.9, 80.4, 78.5, 76.7, 76.5, 74.2, 73.3, 65.5, 55.2, 42.5, 41.9, 38.2, 37.5, 37.1, 35.4, 34.4, 33.8, 26.3, 26.2, 26.0, 25.9, 25.1, 23.2, 18.5, 18.4, 18.12, 18.08, 17.0, 16.6, 15.6, 14.4, 12.7, 12.1, 11.6, 10.9, -2.7, -3.5, -3.66, -3.69, -4.2, -4.5, -4.9, -5.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 1171.7799 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{63}H_{120}O_8SSi_4Na$: 1171.7781].

EXAMPLE 44

Hydroxy Diene (-)-55.

A solution of the olefin (-)-**54** (49.8 mg, 0.0434 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (4.4 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and DIBAL (1.0 M in toluene, 430 µL, 0.430 mmol) was added over 5 min. After 10 min at -78 °C and 30 min at 0 °C, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt (500 µL). The mixture was diluted with ether (60 mL), washed with saturated aqueous Rochelle salt, brine (30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) furnished (-)-**57** (38.0 mg, 88% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -32° © 1.90, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3500 (w, br), 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2900 (m), 2885 (m), 2860 (s), 1610 (m), 1585 (w), 1510 (m), 1470 (m), 1460 (m), 1400 (m), 1375 (m), 1360 (m), 1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1170 (m), 1095 (m), 1080 (m), 1047 (s), 1000 (m), 960 (m), 950 (m), 933 (m), 835 (s), 805 (m), 665 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.20 (apparent t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.68 (apparent t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.49 (ABq, J_{AB} = 10.4 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 23.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.73 (ddd, *J* = 10.7, 4.0, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.68 (apparent t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.57 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 5.1, 5.1

Hz, 1 H), 3.53 (dd, J = 5.4, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (apparent t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.35 (apparent t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.26 (apparent t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.68 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.61 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.71-2.58 (m, 2 H), 2.51-2.44 (m, 1 H), 2.22 (apparent t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.99-1.86 (m, 3 H), 1.81 (apparent qt, J = 7.1, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.72 (br d, J = 12.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.62-1.57 (m, 1 H), 1.61 (s, 3 H), 1.56-1.48 (m, 1 H), 1.38 (ddd, J = 13.5, 12.3, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.27 (apparent t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.03 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.95-0.92 (m, 9 H), 0.93 (s, 9 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.73 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 6 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.024 (s, 3 H), 0.020 (s, 3 H), 0.012 (s, 3 H), 0.009 (s, 3 H), 0.006 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.4, 134.4, 132.3, 131.7, 130.9, 130.4, 129.3, 114.0, 86.3, 80.9, 80.4, 77.6, 76.5, 75.3, 74.2, 65.6, 65.5, 55.3, 42.6, 41.9, 40.0, 37.6, 37.0, 36.8, 35.9, 35.2, 34.5, 26.30, 26.27, 25.9, 25.8, 25.1, 23.2, 18.53, 18.47, 18.13, 18.07, 17.1, 16.6, 15.7, 15.6, 14.4, 13.6, 11.6, 11.4, -2.8, -3.2, -3.4, -3.6, -4.2, -4.5, -4.9; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 1173.7859 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{63}H_{122}O_8SSi_4Na$: 1173.7835].

EXAMPLE 45

Aldehyde (-)-56.

A solution of alcohol (-)-**55** (13.8 mg, 0.0120 mmol) and Et_3N (42 µL, 0.30 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (200 µL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with SO_3.pyridine (40 mg, 0.251 mmol) in DMSO (600 µL). After 45 min at 0 °C, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 30 mL), brine (2 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (3% ethyl acetate/hexane) afforded (-)-**56** (13.2 mg, 96% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -32.1° © 1.40, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 2960 (s), 2935 (s), 2880 (m), 1720 (m), 1610 (m), 1512 (m), 1470

(m), 1460 (m), 1387 (m), 1380 (m), 1360 (m), 1340 (m), 1320 (m), 1300 (m), 1250 (s), 1110 (s), 1098 (s), 1080 (s), 1048 (s), 1002 (m), 988 (m), 965 (m), 950 (m), 935 (m), 835 (s) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.78 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.19 (apparent t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.67 (apparent t, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.45 (apparent s, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.68 (apparent t, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.58-3.56 (m, 2 H), 3.51 (apparent t, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.25 (apparent t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.73 (dqd, *J* = 7.1, 6.0, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.70-2.57 (m, 3 H), 2.51-2.44 (m, 1 H), 2.23 (apparent t, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.98-1.85 (m, 2 H), 1.81 (apparent qt, *J* = 7.1, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 (br d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.60 (s, 3 H), 1.62-1.50 (m, 2H), 1.37 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 10.4, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.26 (apparent t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.10 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.02 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.938 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.932 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.919 (s, 9 H), 0.918 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.732 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.726 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.053 (s, 3 H), 0.047 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 6 H), 0.009 (s, 3 H), 0.005 (s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 204.6, 159.3, 134.4, 132.3, 131.8, 130.8, 130.3, 129.1, 128.3, 113.8, 82.6, 80.9, 80.4, 76.5, 74.5, 74.2, 65.5, 55.3, 49.5, 42.5, 41.9, 40.3, 37.1, 36.8, 35.4, 34.9, 34.4, 26.3, 26.2, 25.9, 25.8, 25.1, 23.2, 18.49, 18.45, 18.12, 18.07, 17.0, 16.6, 15.6, 14.4, 13.3, 12.1, 11.6, 11.4, -2.8, -3.3, -3.4, -3.7, -4.2, -4.5, -4.9, -5.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 1171.7670 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{63}H_{120}O_6SSiNa$: 1171.7676].

EXAMPLE 46

Tetraene (-)-57.

A solution of $Ph_2PCH_2CH=CH_2$ (40 µL, 0.19 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and *t*-BuLi (1.7 M in pentane,

72.0 μL, 0.122 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min, recooled to -78 °C and treated with $Ti(OiPr)_4$ (45 μL, 0.15 mmol). After 30 min, a cold (-78 °C) solution of the aldehyde (-)-**56** (30.2 mg, 0.0262 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) was introduced via cannula, and the resultant mixture was stirred for 10 min at -78 °C and 1 h at 0 °C. MeI (20 μL, 0.32 mmol) was then added, and the reaction was maintained at 0 °C for 30 min, warmed to room temperature, protected from light with aluminum foil, and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M), brine (30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) gave a 16:1 mixture of Z/E isomers (20.0 mg, 70% yield) as an oil. Pipette flash chromatography (20% benzene/hexane) furnished the Z-olefin (-)-**57** as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -57.2° © 2.56, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3015 (m), 2960 (s), 2940 (s), 2900 (m), 2885 (m), 2860 (s), 1613 (w), 1515 (m), 1475 (m), 1465 (m), 1390 (w), 1380 (w), 1360 (w), 1250 (s), 1110 (m), 1100 (m), 1080 (m), 1050 (s), 1003 (m), 963 (w), 950 (w), 835 (s), 800 (m), 790 (m), 770 (m), 700 (w), 690 (w), 670 (w), 655 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.25 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.57 (dddd, J = 16.8, 11.0, 11.0, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.00 (apparent t, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (apparent t, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.26 (dd, J = 11.2, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.20-5.16 (m, 2 H), 5.09 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.05 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.03 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.67 (apparent t, J = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.49 (ABq, J_{AB} = 10.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 41.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.68 (apparent t, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.52 (apparent t, J = 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.43 (dd, J = 4.8, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.24-3.21 (m, 2 H), 3.01-2.94 (m, 1 H), 2.67 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.61 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.71-2.57 (m, 1 H), 2.46-2.39 (m, 1 H), 2.00 (apparent t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.83-1.73 (m, 3 H), 1.64 (br d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.62-1.52 (m, 2 H), 1.55 (d, J = 0.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.36 (ddd, J = 13.7, 10.8, 1.5 Hz, 1 H),

1.26 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.25 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.08 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.93 (s, 9 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.89-0.86 (m, 3 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.70 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 6 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H), 0.013 (s, 3 H), 0.010 (s, 6 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.1, 134.5, 134.3, 132.2, 131.9, 131.8, 131.2, 129.13, 129.07, 117.6, 113.7, 84.6, 80.9, 80.5, 76.5, 75.0, 74.2, 65.5, 55.3, 42.5, 41.9, 40.2, 37.2, 36.1, 35.4, 35.3, 34.5, 29.7, 26.3, 26.0, 25.9, 25.1, 23.1, 18.7, 18.6, 18.5, 18.14, 18.09, 17.0, 16.8, 15.6, 14.8, 14.4, 11.6, 10.6, -2.8, -3.2, -3.3, -3.6, -4.2, -4.5, -4.90, -4.93; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 1195.8001 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{66}H_{124}O_7SSi_4Na$: 1195.8042].

EXAMPLE 47

Lactone (-)-58.

A solution of diene (-)-**57** (7.0 mg, 0.00597 mmol) in THF/CH_3CN (2:1, 1.50 mL) was treated with pH 7.0 phosphate buffer (500 µL) and $HgCl_2$ (215 mg). The suspension was stirred at room temperature for 40 min, diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with brine (2 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided a mixture of lactols as a colorless oil which was further treated with DMSO (1.0 mL) and Ac_2O (200 mL) at room temperature for 2 days. The mixture was diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with saturated $NaHCO_3$ (30 mL), brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**58** (5.5 mg, 82% yield from (-)-**57**) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -31.6 © 0.23, $CHCl_3$); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3015 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2880 (m), 2855 (m), 1725 (m), 1610 (w), 1510 (w), 1460 (m),1385 (m), 1373 (m), 1360 (m), 1300 (w), 1250 (s), 1230 (m), 1200 (m), 1170 (m), 1120 (m), 1097 (m), 1060 (m), 1045 (s), 1020

(m), 1003 (m), 980 (w), 955 (w), 930 (w), 905 (w), 867 (m), 835 (s), 800 (m), 695 (m), 670 (m), 660 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.25 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.57 (ddd, J = 16.7, 10.6, 10.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.00 (apparent t, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (apparent t, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.26 (dd, J = 11.1, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.19 (dd, J = 15.4, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.18 (apparent t J = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.10 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.01 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.75 (apparent t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (ddd, J = 10.5, 1.3, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (ABq, J_{AB} = 10.6 Hz, $\Delta\delta_{AB}$ = 42.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.60 (apparent t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.42 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.23 (dd, J = 7.5, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.20 (apparent t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.01-2.94 (m, 1 H), 2.60 (qd, J = 7.7, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.62-2.55 (m, 1 H), 2.45-2.38 (m, 1 H), 1.98 (apparent t, J = 12.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.84-1.67 (m, 3 H), 1.63 (br d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.52 (s, 3 H), 1.55-1.48 (m, 1 H), 1.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.09 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.93 (apparent d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6 H), 0.93 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.85 (s, 9 H), 0.84 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.69 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.085 (s, 3 H), 0.079 (s, 3 H), 0.051 (s, 3 H), 0.046 (s, 3 H), 0.042 (s, 3 H), 0.029 (s, 3 H), 0.028 (s, 3 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 173.2, 159.1, 134.4, 133.4, 132.4, 132.2, 131.9., 131.3, 131.2, 129.11, 129.09, 117.6, 113.7, 84.6, 80.5, 76.9, 75.0, 74.9, 64.6, 55.3, 44.1, 42.7, 40.1, 37.5, 36.0, 35.44, 35.37, 35.2, 34.2, 26.31, 26.28, 25.9, 25.7, 23.0, 18.7, 18.6, 18.4, 18.1, 18.0, 17.1, 16.5, 16.4, 14.9, 14.1, 10.5, -3.0, -3.2, -3.3, -4.3, -4.4, -4.5, -4.8, -4.9; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 1149.7836 [(M+Na)$^+$; Calcd for $C_{64}H_{118}O_8Si_4Na$: 1149.7802].

EXAMPLE 48

Alcohol (-)-59.

A solution of (-)-**58** (4.0 mg, 0.00355 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (500 µL) was treated with H_2O (50 µL) and DDQ (3.0 mg, 0.0132

mmol) at 0 °C. After 1 h, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), washed with brine (3 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**59** (3.4 mg, 95% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -20° © 0.34, $CHCl_3$); IR (film, $CHCl_3$ on NaCl plate) 3500 (w, br), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2890 (s), 2855 (s), 1740 (m), 1460 (m), 1405 (m), 1380 (m), 1360 (s), 1253 (m), 1220 (m), 1120 (s), 1093 (s), 1075 (s), 1045 (s), 1022 (s), 1002 (m), 980 (m), 933 (m), 902 (m), 833 (s), 808 (m), 770 (s), 663 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.61 (ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.9, 10.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.13 (apparent t, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.32 (apparent t, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.28 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.24-5.21 (m, 1 H), 5.19 (apparent t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.76 (apparent t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (apparent t, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.62 (apparent t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.60 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.32 (br d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.24 (apparent t, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.79 (ddq, *J* = 9.9, 6.7, 6.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.60 (qd, *J* = 7.6, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 1 H), 2.50-2.45 (m, 1 H), 2.16 (apparent t, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.90-1.77 (m, 3 H), 1.75-1.69 (m, 2 H), 1.57 (s, 3 H), 1.60-1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.95-0.93 (m, 6 H), 0.91 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.89-0.84 (m, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.85 (s, 9 H), 0.73 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.07 (apparent s, 6 H), 0.052 (s, 3 H), 0.051 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (apparent s, 6 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 173.3, 134.7, 133.5, 132.5, 132.1, 132.0, 131.5, 131.0, 118.4, 80.5, 78.8, 76.4, 74.9, 64.7, 44.1, 42.7, 38.0, 37.4, 36.3, 36.1, 35.2, 35.1, 34.2, 26.3, 26.2, 25.9, 25.7, 23.2, 18.5, 18.1, 18.0, 17.3, 17.2, 16.4, 16.1, 14.1, 13.7, 9.4, -3.0, -3.3, -3.6, -4.34, -4.36, -4.5, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 1029.7273 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{56}H_{110}O_7Si_4Na$: 1029.7226].

EXAMPLE 49

Carbamate (-)-60.

A solution of alcohol (-)-**59** (2.2 mg, 0.00219 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (500 µL) was treated with $Cl_3CON=C=O$ (20 µL, 0.168 mmol) at room temperature. After 30 min, the mixture was diluted with regular CH_2Cl_2 (2.0 mL) and treated with neutral Al_2O_3 (500 mg). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, filtered through a short silica plug, and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) provided (-)-**60** (1.9 mg, 83% yield) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -37° © 0.19, $CHCl_3$); IR (film, $CHCl_3$ on NaCl plate) 3510 (m), 3360 (m, br), 3180 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2880 (s), 2855 (s), 1730 (s, br), 1596 (m), 1460 (s), 1385 (s), 1362 (s), 1325 (m), 1255 (s), 1220 (m), 1100 (s), 1043 (s), 983 (m), 937 (m), 904 (m), 832 (s), 770 (s), 663 (m) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.58 (dddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.6, 10.6, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.01 (apparent t, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.36 (apparent t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.22-5.16 (m, 2 H), 5.12 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.03 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.76 (apparent t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.71 (apparent t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (ddd, *J* = 10.5, 10.5, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.44 (br s, 2 H), 3.62 (apparent t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.42 (apparent t, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.22 (apparent t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.98 (ddq, *J* = 10.1, 6.6, 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.60 (qd, *J* = 7.6, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.63-2.55 (m, 1 H), 2.48-2.41 (m, 1 H), 2.09 (apparent t, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.93-1.88 (m, 1 H), 1.87-1.77 (m, 2 H), 1.71 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 10.8, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 (br d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.56 (apparent s, 3 H), 1.55-1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.21 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 0.918 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.915 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.853 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 0.847 (s, 9 H), 0.70 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.053 (s, 3 H), 0.051 (s, 3 H), 0.040 (s, 3 H), 0.037 (s, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ,

$CDCl_3$) d 173.3, 156.9, 133.6, 133.5, 132.4, 132.1, 131.9, 131.4, 129.8,118.0, 80.5, 78.9, 74.9, 64.6, 44.2, 42.7, 37.8, 37.4, 36.0, 35.3, 35.2, 34.5, 34.2, 26.3, 26.2, 25.9, 25.7, 23.0, 18.5, 18.4, 18.1, 18.0, 17.5, 17.1, 16.44, 16.38, 14.1, 13.7, 10.1, -3.0, -3.4, -3.6, -4.4, -4.5, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 1072.7264 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{57}H_{111}NO_8Si_4Na$: 1072.7283].

EXAMPLE 50

Discodermolide [(-)-1].

A solution of olefin (-)-**60** (5.8 mg, 5.5 mmol) in 48% HF-CH_3CN (1:9, 1.0 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, then quenched with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (5.0 mL). The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (5.0 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (gradient elution, 1:30 to 1:6 MeOH/$CHCl_3$) provided (-)-**1** (2.0 mg, 60% yield) as a white amorphous solid: $[\alpha]^{23}_D$ -16° © 0.03, MeOH); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3690 (w), 3620 (w), 3540 (w), 3430 (w), 3020 (s), 2975 (m), 2935 (m), 1740 (m), 1590 (w), 1540 (w), 1520 (w), 1467 (w), 1430 (w), 1385 (m), 1330 (w), 1233 (s), 1210 (s), 1100 (w), 1045 (m), 1033 (m), 975 (w), 930 (m), 910 (w), 793 (m), 777 (m), 765 (m), 750 (m), 705 (m), 687 (m), 670 (m), 660 (m), 625 (w) cm^{-1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.60 (dddd, *J* = 16.8, 8.4, 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.02 (apparent t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.51 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.42 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 10.6, 0.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.34 (apparent t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 16.9, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.11 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.77-4.69 (m, 1 H), 4.70 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.60 (ddd, *J* = 10.0, 10.0, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.56 (br s, 2 H), 3.73 (m, 1 H), 3.28 (m, 1 H), 3.18 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.98 (ddq, *J* = 10.1, 6.9, 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.78 (ddq, *J* = 9.8, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.66 (qd, *J* = 7.3, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.60-2.55 (m, 1 H), 2.10-1.80 (m, 10 H), 1.69 (ddd,

J = 14.4, 10.3, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.64 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.30 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.99 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.97 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.82 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 173.6, 157.0, 134.4, 133.7, 133.4, 132.9, 132.2, 129.9, 129.8, 117.9, 79.1, 78.9, 77.9, 75.7, 73.2, 64.4, 43.1, 41.0, 37.4, 36.1, 36.0, 35.8, 35.3, 34.8, 33.1, 23.3, 18.4, 17.4, 15.6, 15.5, 13.7, 12.5, 9.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 616.3840 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{33}H_{55}NO_8Na$: 616.3826].

EXAMPLE 51 (Figures 16 and 17)

A. Tosylate 101

A solution of diene 16 (*see*, Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) (1.15 g, 1.0 mmol) in anhydrous pyridine (10 mL) at 0 °C is treated with p-toluenesulfonyl chloride (286 mg, 1.5 mmol). The mixture is allowed to warm to room temperature for 4-6 h. The pyridine is removed *in vacuo* and the residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford tosylate 101.

B. Arene 102

Phenyllithium (2.7 mL, 1.8 M in cyclohexane-ether (70:30)) is added dropwise to a solution of copper (I) iodide (460 mg, 2.4 mmol) in anhydrous diethyl ether (5 mL) at 0 °C. To the resultant mixture is added a solution of tosylate 101 (780 mg, 0.6 mmol) in ether (5 mL) and the resultant mixture is warmed to room temperature with stirring. After 4 h, saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (20 mL) is added. The layers are separated and the aqueous layer is extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 102.

C. Lactol 103.

To a solution of 102 (120 mg, 0.1 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran-acetonitrile (15 mL, 2:1) is added phosphate buffer (pH 7, 5 mL) and mercury (II) chloride (272 mg, 1.0 mmol). The resultant mixture is stirred 1 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture is diluted with ether (100 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous brine (2 x 50 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 103 as a mixture of α and β anomers.

D. Lactone 104.

To a solution of 103 (84 mg, 0.070 mmol) in dimethyl sulfoxide (10 mL) is added acetic anhydride (2 mL). After 2 days at room temperature, the mixture is diluted with ether (100 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (50 mL), saturated aqueous brine (50 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 104.

E. Alcohol 105.

To a solution of 104 (56 mg, 0.050 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 mL) at 0 °C is added water (50 mL) and 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (52 mg, 0.018 mmol). After 1 h, the reaction mixture is diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), washed with saturated aqueous brine (3 x 25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 105.

F. Carbamate 106.

To a solution of 105 (10 mg, 0.010 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (0.12 mL, 1.00 mmol). After 30 min, the reaction mixture is diluted with dichloromethane (4 mL) and neutral alumina (1 g) is added. The resultant suspension is stirred an additional 4 h. The reaction mixture is filtered and the concentrated filtrate is chromatographed on silica gel to afford 106.

G. Tetrol 107.

A solution of 106 (10 mg, 0.0096 mmol) in 48% hydrofluoric acid-acetonitrile (1:9, 2 mL) is stirred at ambient temperature. After 12 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (25 mL) is added and the mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL). The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 107.

EXAMPLE 52 (Figures 18-20)

A. Alcohol 203.

To a slurry of powdered 4-Å molecular sieves (2.0 g) in 100 mL of anhydrous toluene is added boronate 202 (*see*, Roush, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 6348) (170 mL, 1.0 M in toluene). The resultant solution is stirred 10 min at room temperature and then cooled to - 78 °C. A solution of aldehyde 201 (*see*, Solladie, *et al.*, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1987**, *28*, 797) (113 mmol) in toluene (100 mL) is added over a 2 h period, after which the reaction is maintained at -78 °C for 10 h. Excess ethanolic sodium borohydride (ca. 0.75 g/10 mL) is added and the reaction mixture is warmed to 0 °C. Aqueous 1 N sodium hydroxide (300 mL) is added and the mixture is stirred vigorously for 2 h. The layers are separated and the aqueous layer is extracted with ether (5 x 300 mL). The combined organics are dried over potassium carbonate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 203.

B. Bis-silyl ether 204

A solution of 203 (75 mmol) in dimethylformamide (150 mL) is cooled to 0 °C and treated with imidazole (150 mmol) and tert-butyldimethylsilyl chloride (100 mmol). The resultant solution is warmed to room temperature. After 12 h, the reaction mixture is poured into 1500 mL of water and extracted with ether (3 x 200 mL). The ethereal extracts are washed with water (2 x 50 mL) and saturated aqueous brine (50 mL), dried

over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 204.

C. Alcohol 205.

A solution of 204 (20 mmol) in 500 mL of methanol is cooled to -78 °C and treated with a stream of ozone and oxygen until the colorless solution is converted into a steel blue one. The crude reaction mixture is cautiously quenched with sodium borohydride (100 mmol) and the resultant solution is warmed to room temperature. After 3 h, the excess sodium borohydride is destroyed by the cautious addition of water. The methanol is removed *in vacuo* and the residue is partitioned between saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (200 mL) and ethyl acetate (200 mL). The layers are separated and the aqueous layer is further extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 100 mL). The combined organics are dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 205.

D. Triethylsilyl ether 206.

A solution of 205 (15 mmol) in dimethylformamide (30 mL) is cooled to 0 °C and treated with imidazole (30 mmol) and triethylsilyl chloride (20 mmol). The resultant solution is warmed to room temperature. After 12 h, the reaction mixture is poured into 300 mL of water and extracted with ether (3 x 40 mL). The ethereal extracts are washed with water (2 x 25 mL) and saturated aqueous brine (25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 206.

E. Alcohol 207.

To a solution of 206 (6 mmol) in ethyl acetate-ethanol (8:1, 90 mL) is added palladium on carbon (10% wet, 500 mg). The mixture is stirred under hydrogen atmosphere for 3-6 h, then filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 207.

F. Aldehyde 208.

To a -10 °C solution of 207 (13 mmol) and triethylamine (50 mmol) in dichloromethane (26 mL) is added a solution of sulfur trioxide-pyridine (39 mmol) in dimethyl sulfoxide (50 mL). The mixture is stirred 1 h at room temperature and diluted with ether (150 mL). The organic phase is washed with aqueous sodium bisulfate (1 M, 100 mL), saturated aqueous brine (4 x 100 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 208.

G. Wittig product 209.

Phosphonium salt 15 (*see*, Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) (0.2 mmol) is dissolved in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) and chilled to 0 °C. A solution of sodium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (0.2 mmol, 1.0 M in tetrahydrofuran) is added and the reaction mixture is stirred 30 min at 0 °C. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of aldehyde 208 (0.1 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) is added and the mixture is stirred 10 min at -78 °C and 2 h at room temperature. Saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (2 mL) is added and the resultant mixture is extracted with ether (3 x 20 mL). The ethereal layer is washed with water (2 x 25 mL) and saturated aqueous brine (25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 209.

H. Hydroxy diene 210.

A -78 °C solution of 209 (0.05 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) is treated with diisobutylaluminum hydride (0.5 mL, 1.0 M in toluene). The resultant solution is stirred 10 min at -78 °C and 30 min at 0 °C. The reaction is quenched with a saturated solution of sodium potassium tartrate (50 mL) and the mixture is diluted with ether (60 mL). The organic layer is separated, dried over magnesium sulfate, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 210.

I. Aldehyde 211.

To a -10 °C solution of 207 (1.3 mmol) and triethylamine (5.0 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 mL) is added a solution of sulfur trioxide-pyridine (3.9 mmol) in dimethyl sulfoxide (5 mL). The mixture is stirred 1 h at room temperature and diluted with ether (15 mL). The organic phase is washed with aqueous sodium bisulfate (1 M, 10 mL), saturated aqueous brine (4 x 10 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 211.

J. Tetraene 212.

A solution of diphenylallylphosphine (0.08 mL, 0.38 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) is cooled to -78 °C and tert-butyllithium (0.14 mL, 1.7 M in pentane) is added. The mixture is warmed to 0 °C for 30 min, then recooled to -78 °C and treated with titanium (IV) isopropoxide (0.30 mmol). After 30 min, aldehyde 211 (0.30 mmol) is introduced as a solution in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL). The resultant solution is stirred at -78 °C for 15 min and at 0 °C for 1 h. Methyl iodide (0.64 mmol) is added, and the reaction is warmed to room temperature for 12 h. The reaction mixture is diluted with ether (60 mL), washed with aqueous sodium bisulfate (30 mL, 1.0 M), saturated aqueous brine (30 mL), and is dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 212.

K. Aldehyde 213.

Oxalyl chloride (1.5 mmol) is added dropwise to a -78 °C solution of dimethyl sulfoxide (3 mmol) in dichloromethane (4 mL). After 15 min, a -78 °C solution of 212 (1 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added via canula. After an additional 15 min, diisopropylethylamine (4.5 mmol) is added and the reaction is gradually warmed to room temperature over 1 h and quenched with aqueous sodium bisulfate. The mixture is diluted with ether (50 mL) and is washed with water (2 x 30 mL), saturated aqueous brine (2 x 30 mL), is dried over

magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 213.

L. Ester 214.

To a -78 °C solution of $(F_3CCH_2O)_2POCH_2CO_2Et$ (2 mmol) and 18-crown-6 (2.4 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (5 mL) is added potassium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (2 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL). The resultant solution is stirred 10 min at -78 °C and then treated with aldehyde 213 (1.2 mmol) in 4 mL of tetrahydrofuran. The reaction mixture is warmed to 0 °C for 6-8 h and then quenched with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (10 mL). The aqueous layer is separated and extracted with hexane (2 x 25 mL). The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 214.

M. Alcohol 215.

To a solution of 214 (0.050 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 mL) at 0 °C is added water (50 mL) and 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (0.018 mmol). After 1 h, the reaction mixture is diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), washed with saturated aqueous brine (3 x 25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 215.

N. Carbamate 216.

To a solution of 215 (0.010 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (1.00 mmol). After 30 min, the reaction mixture is diluted with dichloromethane (4 mL) and neutral alumina (1 g) is added. The resultant suspension is stirred an additional 4 h. The reaction mixture is filtered and the concentrated filtrate is chromatographed on silica gel to afford 216.

O. Triol 217.

A solution of 216 (0.010 mmol) in 48% hydrofluoric acid-acetonitrile (1:9, 2 mL) is stirred at ambient temperature. After 12 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (25 mL) is added and the mixture is extracted with ethyl

acetate (3 x 20 mL). The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 217.

EXAMPLE 53 (Figures 21 and 22)

A. Hydroxy-oxazole 302.

A solution of oxazole (3 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (15 mL) is cooled to -78 °C and treated with n-BuLi (3 mmol) in hexane. (*see*, Hodges, *et al.*, *J. Org. Chem.* **1991**, *56*, 449). After 30 min at -78 °C, previously prepared (*see*, Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) aldehyde 301 (2 mmol) is added in tetrahydrofuran (10 mL) and the reaction mixture is gradually allowed to warm to room temperature. After 18-24 h, the reaction is quenched by addition of saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (25 mL). The aqueous layer is separated and extracted with ether (3 x 25 mL). The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 302.

B. Tosylate 303.

A solution of 302 (1.0 mmol) in anhydrous pyridine (10 mL) at 0 °C is treated with p-toluenesulfonyl chloride (286 mg, 1.5 mmol). The mixture is allowed to warm to room temperature for 4-6 h. The pyridine is removed *in vacuo* and the residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford tosylate 303.

C. Reduction product 304.

To a 0 °C solution of tosylate 303 (0.5 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) is added lithium triethylborohydride (2 mmol) as a solution in tetrahydrofuran (1.0 M). The resultant solution is warmed to room temperature for 2-4 h and then quenched with water (1 mL) and diluted with ether (25 mL). The ethereal layer is washed with saturated aqueous brine (2 x 10 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 304.

D. Lactol 305.

To a solution of 304 (0.1 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran-acetonitrile (15 mL, 2:1) is added phosphate buffer (pH 7, 5 mL) and mercury (II) chloride (1.0 mol). The resultant mixture is stirred 1 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture is diluted with ether (100 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous brine (2 x 50 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 305 as a mixture of α and β anomers.

E. Lactone 306.

To a solution of 305 (0.070 mmol) in dimethyl sulfoxide (10 mL) is added acetic anhydride (2 mL). After 2 days at room temperature, the mixture is diluted with ether (100 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (50 mL), saturated aqueous brine (50 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 306.

F. Alcohol 307.

To a solution of 306 (0.050 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 mL) at 0 °C is added water (50 mL) and 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (0.018 mmol). After 1 h, the reaction mixture is diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), washed with saturated aqueous brine (3 x 25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 307.

G. Carbamate 308.

To a solution of 307 (0.010 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (1.00 mmol). After 30 min, the reaction mixture is diluted with dichloromethane (4 mL) and neutral alumina (1 g) is added. The resultant suspension is stirred an additional 4 h. The reaction mixture is filtered and the concentrated filtrate is chromatographed on silica gel to afford 308.

H. Tetrol 309.

A solution of 308 (0.010 mmol) in 48% hydrofluoric acid-acetonitrile (1:9, 2 mL) is stirred at ambient temperature. After 12 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (25 mL) is added and the mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL). The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 309.

EXAMPLE 54

As shown in Figure 23, a solution of 402 (10.5 mg, 10.4 mmol) in 48% HF-CH_3CN (1:9, 1.0 mL) is stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The reaction is quenched by saturated $NaHCO_3$ (5.0 mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase is then washed with brine (5.0 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 401.

EXAMPLE 55 (Figure 24)

A. PMB-ether 503

$ZnCl_2$(1.32 g, 9.69 mmol) is dried at 160°C under vacuum overnight and then treated with a solution of iodide 502 (2.46 g, 9.59 mmol) in dry Et_2O (50 mL). The mixture is stirred at room temperature until most of the $ZnCl_2$ is dissolved and then cooled to -78°C. t-BuLi (1.7M in pentane, 17.0 mL) is added over 30 min, and the resultant solution is stirred an additional 15 min, warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 1hr. The solution is added by cannula to a mixture of iodoolefin B (*see*, Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) (3.21 g, 6.19 mmol) and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (364.2 mg, 0.315 mmol). The mixture is covered with aluminum foil, stirred overnight, and then diluted with ethyl acetate(100 mL), washed with brine (2 X 100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 503.

B. Phosphonium salt 504

A solution of alcohol 503 (1.70 g, 3.26 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (28 mL) is cooled to 0 °C and treated with water (1.3 mL) and 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (774 mg, 3.41 mmol). The mixture is stirred at 0°C for 5 hr, diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and filtered through a column of silica gel. Following concentration *in vacuo*, the residue is dissolved in ethanol (50 mL) at room temperature, and excess sodium borohydride is added. After 30 min, the reaction is cooled to 0°C, quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (50 mL), and concentrated. The residue is then dissolved in CH_2Cl_2(90 mL), and the solution is washed with water, dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford an alcohol

A solution of this alcohol (400 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dry benzene/ether (1:2, 50 mL) is treated with triphenylphosphine (923 mg, 3.6 mmol) and imidazole (273 mg, 4.0 mmol). After all of the imidazole dissolved, iodine (761 mg, 3.0 mmol) is added with vigorous stirring of the reaction mixture. The mixture is stirred 2 h further and then treated with triethylamine (4 mL). The resultant solution is diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$(100 mL), saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$(100 mL), and brine (2 x 100 mL). The organic phase is dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Filtration though silica gel to remove triphenylphosphine oxide, affords an iodide. The iodide was mixed with diisopropylethylamine (0.6 mL, 3.44 mmol) and triphenylphosphine (4.94 g, 18.8 mmol). The mixture is heated at 80 °C for 24 hr, cooled to room temperature, and washed with hexane(2 x 50 mL). The product is isolated by flash chromatography to afford 504.

C. Coupled product 505.

Phosphonium salt 504 (386 mg, 0.5 mmol) is dried azeotropically with dry benzene and heated at 50°C under vacuum for 3 hr before use. It is then dissolved in tetrahydrofuran

(3.0 mL). Sodium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (1.0 M in tetrahydrofuran, 0.48 mL, 0.48 mmol) is added at -78°C, and the mixture is stirred for 25 min and then recooled to -78°C. A solution of aldehyde C (*see*, Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) (147 mg, 0.30 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (1.5 mL) is added, and the mixture is stirred for 10 min at -78°C, and 2 hr at room temperature. The reaction is quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (4.0 mL), the resultant mixture is extracted with ether (120 mL), and the ether layer is washed with water (100 mL) and brine (100 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides olefin 505.

D. Lactone 506.

To a solution of 505 (200 mg, 0.23 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran-acetonitrile (10 mL, 2:1) is added a phosphate buffer solution (pH = 7.0, 3.3 mL), and $HgCl_2$ (1.3 g). The suspension is stirred at room temperature for 40 min, then diluted with ether (150 mL), washed with brine (2 x 70 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides a mixture of lactols as α/β anomers. This material is used directly in the next oxidation: Under argon, to a solution of lactols in dimethylsulfoxide (5.0 mL) is added acetic anhydride (1.0 mL). After 2 days at room temperature, the mixture is diluted with ether (150 mL), washed with saturated $NaHCO_3$ (150 mL), brine (150 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords a lactone. A solution of the lactone (160 mg, 0.20 mmol) in methanol (4 mL) is treated with pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (10 mg) and stirred at 40°C for 30 min. The mixture is diluted with ether (80 mL) and washed successively with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ solution (90 mL) and brine (40 mL), and then dried over $MgSO_4$. The organic solution is concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue is passed through a column of silica gel to provide alcohol 506.

E. Acid 507.

To a solution of alcohol 506 (140 mg, 0.19 mmol) in dimethylformamide (5.0 mL), is added pyridinium dichromate (210 mg, 0.55 mmol). The reaction mixture is stirred at room temperature for 5 hr, and diluted with water (120 mL). The mixture is extracted with ether (3 x 15 mL). The organic solutions are combined and washed with brine (40 mL), and dried over $MgSO_4$. Then it is concentrated *in vacuo* to give a residue, which is purified by flash chromatography to afford carboxylic acid 507.

F. Amino-amide 508.

To a solution of 507 (60.0 mg, 78.1 mmol) and D-leucine hydrochloride (26.0 mg, 0.16 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3 mL) is added 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (EDC, 23 mg, 0.12 mmol) and 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (21.0 mg, 0.14 mmol), followed by diisopropylamine (40 mL, 0.23 mmol). The mixture is stirred at room temperature overnight before addition of 5% $KHSO_4$ solution. The resulting mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (30 mL). The organic layer is washed with brine (20 mL) and dried over $MgSO_4$, and then concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by column chromatography to afford 508.

G. Analog 501.

A solution of 508 (52 mg, 59 mmol) in 48% HF-acetonitrile(1:9, 1.0 mL) is stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The reaction is quenched by saturated $NaHCO_3$(5.0mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase is then washed with brine (5.0 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides 501.

EXAMPLE 56 (Figure 25)

A. Diene 603.

Phosphonium salt 15 (98.0 mg, 0.092 mmol) is dried azeotropically with dry benzene and heated at 50°C under vacuum for 3 hr before use. It is then dissolved in tetrahydrofuran

(0.7 mL). Sodium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (1.0 M in tetrahydrofuran, 86 mL, 0.0855 mmol) is added at -78°C, and the mixture is stirred for 20 min and then recooled to -78°C. A solution of aldehyde 602 (13 mg, 60 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (300 mL) is added, and the mixture is stirred for 10 min at -78°C, and 2 hr at room temperature. The reaction is quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (1.0 mL). The resultant mixture is extracted with ether (30 mL), and the ether layer is washed with water (30 mL) and brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides the coupled product.

A solution of the olefin (39 mg, 44 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 is cooled to -78°C, diisobutylaluminum hydride (1.0 M in toluene, 440 mL, 0.40 mmol) is added dropwise over 5 min, and the resultant solution is stirred for 10 min at -78°C and 30 min at 0°C. The reaction is quenched with a saturated solution of Rochelle's salt, and the mixture is diluted with ether (60 mL), washed with Rochelle solution, and brine(30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides alcohol 603.

B. Alkane 604.

To a solution of alcohol 603 (82 mg, 0.93 mmol) in pyridine (1.5 mL) at 0°C is added p-toluenesulfonyl chloride(26.6 mg, 0.14 mmol) with stirring. After 3 hr, the reaction mixture is concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by column chromatography to give a tosylate. To a solution of this tosylate (94 mg, 0.91 mmol) in ether (5 mL) is added lithium diisopropylcuprate (Pr_2CuLi) (ca. 0.5 M in ether, 10 mL, excess. The resultant solution is stirred for 8 hr and then quenched with saturated aqueous solution of NH_4Cl (50 mL). Stirring is continued for an additional 2 h. The organic phase is separated and washed with NH_4Cl solution (20 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides 604.

C. Enone 605.

A solution of 604 (75 mg, 83 mmol) in methanol (2 mL) is treated with pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (ca.4 mg) and stirred at 40°C for 30 min. The mixture is diluted with ether (20 mL) and washed successively with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ solution (25 mL) and brine (10 mL), and then dried over $MgSO_4$. The organic solution is concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue is passed through a column of silica gel to provide an alcohol. To a solution of the alcohol (62.0 mg, 68.2 mmol) in benzene (2.0 mL) is added manganese(IV) oxide (100 mg, 1.15 mmol). After stirring for 8 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture is filtered through a pad of celite. The filtrate is concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography of the residue affords α,β-unsaturated ketone 605.

D. Triol 606.

A solution of the α,β-unsaturated ketone 605 (45 mg, 56 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL) is cooled to 0 °C and treated with water (0.1 mL) and 2, 3-dichloro-5, 6-dicyano-1, 4-benzoquinone (15 mg, 66 mmol). The mixture is stirred at 0 °C for 5 hr, diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and filtered through a column of silica gel. Following concentration *in vacuo*, the residue is used for next step without further purification. A solution of the crude alcohol in 48% HF-acetonitrile(1:9, 1.0 mL) is stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The reaction is quenched by saturated $NaHCO_3$ (5.0mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate(3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase is then washed with brine (5.0 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 601.

EXAMPLE 57 (Figure 26)

A. Alkane 702

To a solution of iodide A (300 mg, 0.54 mmol) in ether (5 mL) is added lithium dibutylcuprate (Bu_2CuLi) (ca. 0.5 M in ether, 5.4 mL, excess) at -25°C. The resultant solution is

stirred for 8 hr and then quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (50 mL). Stirring is continued for another 2 hr and the organic phase is separated. The organic solution is washed with NH_4Cl solution (20 mL) and dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides 702.

B. Alcohol 703.

A solution of 702 (240 mg, 0.50 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (6.0 mL) is cooled to -78°C. Diisobutylaluminum hydride (1.0 M in toluene, 1.50 mL, 1.50 mmol) is added dropwise over 5 min, and the resultant solution is stirred for 10 min at -78°C and 30 min at 0°C. The reaction is quenched with a saturated solution of Rochelle's salt, and the mixture is diluted with ether (60 mL), washed with Rochelle solution, and brine (30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides alcohol 703.

C. Iodide 704

A solution of alcohol 703 (210 mg, 0.44 mmol) in dry benzene/ether (1:2, 5 mL) is treated with triphenylphosphine (420 mg, 1.6 mmol) and imidazole (123 mg, 1.8 mmol). After all of the imidazole dissolved, iodine (335 mg, 1.32 mmol) is added with vigorous stirring. The mixture is stirred for 2 h and then treated with triethylamine (1.8 mL). The resultant solution is diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (22 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$ (40 mL), saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (40 mL), and brine (2 x 40 mL). The organic phase is dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford iodide 704.

D. Phosphonium salt 705.

The iodide 704 is mixed with triphenylphosphine (2.17 g, 8.27 mmol) and the mixture is heated at 80°C for 24 hr, cooled to room temperature, and washed with hexane (2 x 20 mL). Flash chromatography provides phosphonium salt 705.

E. Alkene 707.

A solution of 705 (260 mg, 0.30 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (6.0 mL) is cooled to -10°C and a solution of

n-butyl lithium (1.0 M in hexane, 0.29 mL, 0.29 mmol) is introduced dropwise over 5 min. The resultant solution is stirred for 50 min at room temperature and then the mixture is recooled to -78°C and aldehyde 706 (39 mg, 0.3 mmol) is added a solution in tetrahydrofuran (1.5 mL). The mixture is stirred for 10 min at -78°C, and 1 hr at 0 °C. The reaction is quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (1.0 mL) and the resultant mixture is extracted with ether (30 mL). The ether layer is washed with water (30 mL) and brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford olefin 707 (149 mg, 85% yield).

F. Diol 708.

Acetonide 707 (147 mg, 0.25 mmol) is dissolved in 80% aqueous acetic acid (2.5 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture is stirred for 4 hr at room temperature and then diluted with water (20 mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate(2 x 5 mL). The combined organic layers are washed with saturated $NaHCO_3$ solution, and brine (10 mL each), and then dried over $MgSO_4$. The organic solution is concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue is flash chromatographed over silica gel to afford diol 708.

G. Tosylate 709.

To a solution of diol 708 (134 mg, 0.25 mmol) in pyridine (2 mL) is added p-toluenesulfonyl chloride(52 mg, 0.27 mmol). After 3 hr, the reaction mixture is diluted with ether (30 mL), and washed with ice cold 1 M hydrochloric acid (60 mL), saturated $NaHCO_3$ solution (20 mL), and brine (20 mL) and then concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by column chromatography to give a monotosylate 709.

H. Epoxide 710.

A solution of tosylate 709 (145 mg, 0.21 mmol) in methanol (3.0 mL) is added potassium carbonate (10 mg) at room temperature. The mixture is stirred for 20 min, and then diluted with water (60 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (2

x 20 mL). The combined organic layers are washed with brine and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides epoxide 710.

I. Alcohol 711.

To a solution of 710 (41 mg, 79 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3.0 mL) at 0°C is added water (0.15 mL) and 2, 3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1, 4-benzoquinone (60 mg, 0.26 mmol). The mixture is stirred at 0°C for 5 hr, diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and filtered through a column of silica gel. Following concentration *in vacuo*, the crude 711 is used without further purification.

J. Carbamate 712.

To a solution of 711 (8.7 mg, 22 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (0.20 mL, 1.7 mmol) at room temperature. After 30 min, the mixture is diluted with CH_2Cl_2(20 mL), and some neutral Al_2O_3 (500 mg) is added. The mixture is then stirred at room temperature for 2 hr, then filtered though a short column of silica gel, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 712.

K. Hydroxy-urethane 701.

A solution of 712 (6.0 mg, 14 mmol) in 48% HF-acetonitrile (1:9, 1.0 mL) is stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The reaction is quenched by saturated $NaHCO_3$ (5.0 mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase is then washed with brine (5.0 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography afford 701.

EXAMPLE 58 (Figures 27 and 28)

A. Iodide 802.

A solution of alcohol 16 (*see*, Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) (410 mg, 0.360 mmol) in dry benzene/ether (1:2, 10 mL) is treated with triphenylphosphine (378 mg, 1.44 mmol) and imidazole (111 mg, 1.62 mmol). After

complete dissolution of the imidazole, iodine (301 mg, 1.19 mmol) is added with vigorous stirring. The reaction mixture is stirred 2 h and then treated with triethylamine (1.7 mL). The resultant solution is diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous $Na_2S_2O_3$ (40 mL), saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (40 mL), and brine (2 x 40 mL). The organic phase is dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography affords iodide 802.

B. Phosphonium salt 803.

To a solution of iodide 802 (410 mg, 0.325 mmol) in benzene (20 mL) is added triphenylphosphine(1.00 g, 3.81 mmol). The mixture is heated at 80°C for 24 hr, cooled to room temperature, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is washed with hexane (2 x 20 mL). Flash chromatography affords phosphonium salt 803.

C. Alkene 805

A solution of 803 (460 mg, 0.30 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (9.0 mL) is cooled to -10°C. A solution of n-butyl lithium (1.0 M in hexane, 0.29 mL, 0.29 mmol) is added dropwise over 5 min, and the resultant solution is stirred for 50 min at room temperature. Then the mixture is recooled to -78°C and a solution of aldehyde 804 (39 mg, 0.3 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (1.5 mL) is added. The mixture is stirred for 10 min at -78°C, and 1 hr at 0 °C. The reaction is quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (20 mL), the resultant mixture is extracted with ether (40 mL), and the ether layer is washed with water (30 mL) and brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography of the residue affords 805.

D. Diol 806

Acetonide 805 (280 mg, 0.22 mmol) is dissolved in 80% aqueous acetic acid (3.5 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture is stirred for 4 hr at room temperature and then diluted with water (40 mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers are

washed with saturated $NaHCO_3$ solution, and brine (10 mL each), and then dried over $MgSO_4$. The organic solution is concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue is flash chromatographed over silica gel to afford diol 806.

E. Tosylate 807.

To a solution of diol 806 (235 mg, 0.19 mmol) in pyridine (2 mL) at 0 °C is added p-toluenesulfonyl chloride (45 mg, 0.23 mmol). After 3 hr, the reaction mixture is diluted with ether (30 mL), and washed with ice cold 1 M hydrochloric acid (30 mL), saturated $NaHCO_3$ solution (20 mL), and brine (20 mL) and then concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by column chromatography to give a monotosylate 807.

F. Epoxide 808.

To a solution of tosylate 807 (187 mg, 0.21 mmol) in methanol (3.0 mL) is added potassium carbonate (10 mg) at room temperature. The mixture is stirred for 20 min, and then diluted with water (60 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides epoxide 808.

G. Lactone 809.

To a solution of 808 (110 mg, 93 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran-acetonitrile (10 mL, 2:1) is added a phosphate buffer solution (pH = 7.0, 3.5 mL), and $HgCl_2$ (2.3 g). The suspension is stirred at room temperature for 40 min, then diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with brine(2 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords the lactol as an α/β anomeric mixture. This material is used directly in the next oxidation: Under argon atmosphere, a solution of the lactols in dimethylsulfoxide (3.0 mL) is treated with acetic anhydride (0.60 mL). After 2 days at room temperature, the mixture is diluted with ether (50 mL), washed with saturated $NaHCO_3$ (30 mL), brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides 809.

H. Alcohol 810.

To a solution of 809 (90 mg, 79 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3.0 mL) at 0°C is added water (0.15 mL) and 2, 3-dichloro-5, 6-dicyano-1, 4-benzoquinone(60 mg, 0.26 mmol). The mixture is stirred at 0°C for 5 hr, diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and filtered through a column of silica gel. Following concentration *in vacuo*, the crude 810 is used in the next reaction without further purification.

I. Carbamate 811

To a solution of 810 (22 mg, 22 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (0.20 mL, 1.7 mmol) at room temperature. After 30 min, the mixture is diluted with CH_2Cl_2(20 mL), and some neutral Al_2O_3 (500 mg) is added. The mixture is then stirred at room temperature for 2hr, then filtered though a short column of silica gel, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords 811.

J. Epoxide analog 812.

A solution of 811 (15 mg, 14 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran(1.0 mL) is cooled to 0°C, and treated with a 1.0 M solution of tetrabutylammonium fluoride in tetrahydrofuran(0.14 mL, 0.14 mmol). The reaction mixture is stirred for 2 hr, and diluted with water (20 mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase is then washed with brine (10 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords 801.

EXAMPLE 59 (Figure 29)

A. Alcohol 903.

Phosphonium salt 15 (98.0 mg, 0.092 mmol) is dried azeotropically with dry benzene and heated at 50°C under vacuum for 3 hr before use. It is then dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (0.7 mL). Sodium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (1.0 M in tetrahydrofuran, 86 mL, 0.0855 mmol) is added at -78°C, and the mixture is stirred for 20 min and then recooled to -78°C. A

solution of aldehyde 902 (60 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (300 mL) is added, and the mixture is stirred for 10 min at -78°C, and 2 hr at room temperature. The reaction is quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (1.0 mL). The resultant mixture is extracted with ether (30 mL), and the ether layer is washed with water (30 mL) and brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides an olefin. A solution of the olefin (44 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 is cooled to -78°C. Diisobutylaluminum hydride (1.0 M in toluene, 440 mL, 0.40 mmol) is added dropwise over 5 min, and the resultant solution is stirred for 10 min at -78 °C and 30 min at 0 °C. The reaction is quenched with a saturated solution of Rochelle's salt, and the mixture is diluted with ether (60 mL), washed with Rochelle solution, and brine (30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography provides alcohol 903.

B. Diene 905.

A solution of 903 (0.012 mmol) and Et_3N (42 mL, 0.30 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2.0 mL) is cooled to 0°C and a solution of SO_3-pyridine complex (40 mg, 0.251 mmol) in dimethylsulfoxide (0.6 mL) is added. The mixture is stirred at 0°C for 45 min and then diluted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), washed with aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (1.0 M, 30 mL) and brine (2 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords an aldehyde. A solution of allyldiphenylphosphine 904 (0.19 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (1.0 mL) is cooled to -78°C and t-butyl lithium (1.7 M in pentane, 0.122 mmol) is added. The mixture is stirred at 0°C for 30 min, recooled to -78°C and treated titanium tetra-*I*-propoxide (0.15 mmol). After 30 min, a cold (-78°C) solution of the aldehyde (0.26 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (1.0 mL) is introduced via cannula, and the mixture is stirred 10 min further at -78°C and at 0°C for 1 hr. Iodomethane (0.32 mmol) is added, and the reaction is maintained at 0°C for 30 min, warmed to room temperature, protected from light, and stirred overnight. The reaction

mixture is diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with 1.0 M aqueous $NaHSO_4$ and brine (30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords diene 905.

C. Glycoside 908.

A solution of 905 (83 mmol) in methanol (2 mL) is treated with pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (ca.4 mg) and stirred at 40°C for 30 min. The mixture is diluted with ether (20 mL) and washed successively with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ solution (25 mL) and brine (10 mL), and then dried over $MgSO_4$. The organic solution is concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue is passed through a column of silica gel to give an alcohol.

To a solution of glycosyl bromide 906 (75 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2(2.0 mL) is added $HgBr_2$ (7 mmol) and powdered molecular sieves (4Å, 50 mg) and stirred for 60 min at room temperature. The mixture is then cooled to 0°C, and the alcohol (74 mmol) prepared above is added in CH_2Cl_2 (0.7 mL). The resultant mixture is stirred 6 hr at 0°C and then warmed to room temperature and diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL), and filtered through a pad of celite. The filtrate is washed with aqueous KI solution, and dried over $MgSO_4$. The organic solution is concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue is passed through a column of silica gel to give an anomeric mixture of glycosides 908.

D. Triol 901.

To a solution of 908 (79 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3.0 mL) at 0°C is added water (0.15 mL) and 2, 3-dichloro-5, 6-dicyano-1, 4-benzoquinone (60 mg, 0.26 mmol). The mixture is stirred at 0°C for 5 hr, diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and filtered through a column of silica gel. Following concentration *in vacuo*, the crude alcohol is used for next step without further purification. To a solution of the alcohol (22 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (0.20 mL, 1.7 mmol) at room temperature. After 30 min, the mixture is diluted with CH_2Cl_2(20 mL), and some neutral Al_2O_3 (500 mg) is added. The mixture is then stirred at room

temperature for 2 hr, then filtered though a short column of silica gel, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords a carbamate. A solution of the carbamate (14 mmol) in 48% HF-acetonitrile (1:9, 1.0 mL) is stirred at room temperature for 12 hr. The reaction is quenched by saturated $NaHCO_3$ (5.0 mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase is then washed with brine(5.0 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography affords 901.

EXAMPLE 60 (Figure 30)

A. Olefin 1001

A solution of model phosphonium salt (0.0917 mmol) in THF (700 mL) is cooled to -78 °C and treated with NaHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 85.5 mL, 0.0855 mmol). The mixture is stirred for 20 min at 0 °C, recooled to -78 °C and aldehyde C (0.0570 mmol) in THF (300 mL) is added. After 10 min at -78 °C and 2 h at room temperature, the mixture is quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (1.0 mL) and extracted with ether (30 mL). The ether solution is washed with water, brine (30 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography provides olefin 1001.

B. Lactone 1002

A solution of olefin 1001 (0.00597 mmol) in THF/CH_3CN (2:1, 1.50 mL) is treated with pH 7.0 phosphate buffer (500 mL) and $HgCl_2$ (215 mg). The suspension is stirred at room temperature for 40 min, diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with brine (2 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexane) provides a mixture of lactols as a colorless oil which is further treated with DMSO (1.0 mL) and Ac_2O (200 mL) at room temperature for 2 days. The mixture is diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with saturated $NaHCO_3$ (30 mL), brine (30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography provides lactone 1002.

C. Model Compound 1003

A solution of olefin 1002 (5.5 mmol) in 48% HF-CH_3CN (1:9, 1.0 mL) is stirred at room temperature for 12 h, then quenched with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (5.0 mL). The mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts are washed with brine (5.0 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (gradient elution, 1:30 to 1:6 MeOH/CHCl3) provides 1003.

EXAMPLE 61 (Figures 31 and 32)

I. General procedure for synthesis of hydroxy aldehydes 1104.

A. TBS ether 1102a

A solution of bromide 1101a (*see*, Jacquesy, *et al.*, *Tetrahedron* **1981**, *37*, 747) (20 mmol) in ether (40 mL) is added slowly to a -78 °C solution of tert-butyllitium (40 mmol, 1.7 M in pentane). After 1 h at -78 °C, the cold solution is transferred to a suspension of copper (I) iodide (10 mmol) in ether at 0 °C. After an additional 30 min at 0 °C, a solution of benzyl (S)-(+)-glycidyl ether (9 mmol) in ether (20 mL) is added and the reaction is allowed to warm to room temperature. After 18-24 h, the reaction is quenched by the addition of tert-butyldimethylsilyl triflate (10 mmol). The reaction mixture is poured into saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (100 mL). The aqueous layer is separated and extracted with ether (2 x 50 mL). The combined organics are washed with saturated aqueous brine (50 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1102a.

B. Alcohol 1103a.

To a solution of 1102a (6 mmol) in ethyl acetate-ethanol (8:1, 90 mL) is added palladium on carbon (10% wet, 500 mg). The mixture is stirred under hydrogen atmosphere

for 3-6 h, then filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1103a.

C. Aldehyde 1104a.

Oxalyl chloride (1.5 mmol) is added dropwise to a -78 °C solution of dimethyl sulfoxide (3 mmol) in dichloromethane (4 mL). After 15 min, a -78 °C solution of 1103a (1 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added via canula. After an additional 15 min, diisopropylethylamine (4.5 mmol) is added and the reaction is gradually warmed to room temperature over 1 h and quenched with aqueous sodium bisulfate. The mixture is diluted with ether (50 mL) and is washed with water (2 x 30 mL), saturated aqueous brine (2 x 30 mL), is dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1104a.

II. General procedure for the conversion of 1104 to arene analog 1111:

A. Diene 1105.

Phosphonium salt 15 (*see*, Smith, *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) (0.2 mmol) is dissolved in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) and chilled to 0 °C. A solution of sodium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (0.2 mmol, 1.0 M in tetrahydrofuran) is added and the reaction mixture is stirred 30 min at 0 °C. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of aldehyde 1104 (0.1 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) is added and the mixture is stirred 10 min at -78 °C and 2 h at room temperature. Saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (2 mL) is added and the resultant mixture is extracted with ether (3 x 20 mL). The ethereal layer is washed with water (2 x 25 mL) and saturated aqueous brine (25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1105.

B. Hydroxy diene 1106.

A -78 °C solution of 1105 (0.05 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) is treated with diisobutylaluminum hydride (0.5 mL, 1.0 M in toluene). The resultant solution is stirred 10 min at -78 °C

and 30 min at 0 °C. The reaction is quenched with a saturated solution of sodium potassium tartrate (50 mL) and the mixture is diluted with ether (60 mL). The organic layer is separated, dried over magnesium sulfate, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1106.

C. Aldehyde 1107.

Oxalyl chloride (1.5 mmol) is added dropwise to a -78 °C solution of dimethyl sulfoxide (3 mmol) in dichloromethane (4 mL). After 15 min, a -78 °C solution of 1106 (1 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added via canula. After an additional 15 min, diisopropylethylamine (4.5 mmol) is added and the reaction is gradually warmed to room temperature over 1 h and quenched with aqueous sodium bisulfate. The mixture is diluted with ether (50 mL) and is washed with water (2 x 30 mL), saturated aqueous brine (2 x 30 mL), is dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1107.

D. Tetraene 1108.

A solution of diphenylallylphosphine (0.08 mL, 0.38 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) is cooled to -78 °C and tert-butyllithium (0.14 mL, 1.7 M in pentane) is added. The mixture is warmed to 0 °C for 30 min, then recooled to -78 °C and treated with titanium (IV) isopropoxide (0.30 mmol). After 30 min, aldehyde 1107 (0.30 mmol) is introduced as a solution in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL). The resultant solution is stirred at -78 °C for 15 min and at 0 °C for 1 h. Methyl iodide (0.64 mmol) is added, and the reaction is warmed to room temperature for 12 h. The reaction mixture is diluted with ether (60 mL), washed with aqueous sodium bisulfate (30 mL, 1.0 M), saturated aqueous brine (30 mL), and is dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1108.

E. Alcohol 1109.

To a solution of 1108 (0.050 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 mL) at 0 °C is added water (50 mL) and 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (0.018 mmol). After 1 h, the reaction mixture is diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), washed with saturated aqueous brine (3 x 25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1109.

F. Carbamate 1110.

To a solution of 1109 (0.010 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (1.00 mmol). After 30 min, the reaction mixture is diluted with dichloromethane (4 mL) and neutral alumina (1 g) is added. The resultant suspension is stirred an additional 4 h. The reaction mixture is filtered and the concentrated filtrate is chromatographed on silica gel to afford 1110.

G. Arene analog 1111.

A solution of 1110 (0.010 mmol) in 48% hydrofluoric acid-acetonitrile (1:9, 2 mL) is stirred at ambient temperature. After 12 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (25 mL) is added and the mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL). The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 1111.

Example 62

Synthesis of Aldehyde 67

Enone (64). To a -78 °C solution of aldehyde **27** (1.94 g, 6.13 mmol prepared from commercially available methyl *(S)*-(+)-3-hydroxy-2-methyl propionate generally according to Smith, et. al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) was added (dropwise over 3 min) a -78 °C solution of $TiCl_4$ (0.68 mL, 6.18 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (6 mL). The resultant solution was stirred an additional 3 min at -78 °C.

4-Methyl-2-trimethylsiloxy- 1,3-pentadiene (1.89 g, 11.1 mmol, *see* Paterson, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1979**, 1519) was added dropwise over 2 min and the reaction mixture was further stirred at -78 °C for 2 h. A solution comprised of pH 8 phosphate buffer (100 mL) and saturated aqueous bicarbonate (50 mL) was added and the biphasic solution was warmed to ambient temperature, diluted with water (100 mL), and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 100 mL). The combined extracts were washed with saturated brine (75 mL), dried ($MgSO_4$) and concentrated. The residual oil was diluted with CH_2Cl_2/hexanes (1:1, 30 mL), cooled to 0 °C and treated with trichloroacetic acid (1.54 g, 9.42 mmol). After 5 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with hexanes (75 mL) and washed with water (2 x 50 mL), pH 8 phosphate buffer (50 mL) and saturated brine (50 mL) and was dried ($MgSO_4$) and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (hexanes/CH_2Cl_2/ethyl acetate, 12:4:1) afforded **64** (1.21 g, 56 %) as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ -10.6° © 0.88, $CHCl_3$); ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.09 (m, 1 H), 4.78 (ddd, J = 10.0, 6.6, 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.65 (t, J = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.72 (dd, J = 15.8, 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.66 (dd, J = 15.8, 6.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.62 (qd, J = 7.6, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.13 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3 H), 2.07 (dqd, J = 10.0, 6.8, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.87 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.25 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.97 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 196.9, 173.6, 156.8, 124.1, 77.8, 74.3, 47.0, 43.9, 33.6, 27.7, 25.7, 20.9, 18.0, 16.1, 13.8, -4.5, -4.7.

Alcohol (65). A solution of enone **64** (109 mg, 0.307 mmol) in toluene (8 mL) was cooled to -95 °C and treated with K-Selectride® (1.0 M in THF, 0.35 mL). After 2 h, glacial acetic acid (0.015 mL) was added and the resultant solution was warmed to ambient temperature and treated with pH 7 aqueous phosphate buffer solution (10 mL) and 30% aqueous hydrogen peroxide (0.5 mL). After 2 h, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 x 20 mL) and the combined organics were dried ($MgSO_4$) and concentrated. Flash chromatography (15% ethyl acetate/hexanes) afforded **65** (70 mg, 64%) as a colorless oil:

^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 5.21 (apparent dt, J = 8.6, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.75 (br t, J = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.60 (td, J = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.67 (t, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.66 (qd, J = 7.5, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.90 (dqd, 9.7, 6.8, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.83 (ddd, J = 14.5, 9.9, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.71 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.70 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.65 (br s, 1 H), 1.60 (ddd, J = 14.5, 10.1, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.26 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.99 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H),0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 174.0, 134.8, 127.7, 77.8, 74.2, 64.1, 43.7, 41.5, 34.6, 25.7, 25.6, 18.2, 17.9, 16.0, 13.7, -4.6, -4.8.

Silyl Ether (66). A solution of alcohol **65** (493 mg, 1.38 mmol) and imidazole (306 mg, 4.49 mmol) in DMF (6 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl chloride (386 mg, 2.56 mmol). The resultant solution was stirred 12 h at ambient temperature, diluted with ether (75 mL), washed with water (2 x 15 mL) and saturated brine (15 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) afforded **66** (615 mg, 95%) as a colorless oil: ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 5.11 (apparent dt, J = 8.6, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.71 (ddd, 10.4, 8.7, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (td, J = 10.4, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.65 (t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.63 (qd, J = 7.6, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.83 (dqd, 10.0, 6.8, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.74 (ddd, J = 14.2, 10.5, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.68 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.65 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.44 (ddd, J = 14.2, 10.6, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.26 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.85 (s, 9 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H);

Aldehyde (67). A solution of olefin **66** (615 mg, 1.30 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and treated with a stream of ozone and oxygen until the colorless solution became steel-blue in appearance. The reaction mixture was purged with a stream of air for 10 min, followed by the cautious addition of triphenylphosphine (375 mg, 1.42 mmol). The cooling bath was removed and the solution was stirred at ambient temperature for 1 h, concentrated, and chromatographed

(20% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to afford **67** (486 mg, 84%) as a colorless oil that solidified upon standing at 0 °C. ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.67 (br s, 1 H), 4.52 (td, J = 10.5, 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.46 (dd, J = 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.67 (t, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.66 (qd, J = 7.6, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.95-1.84 (m, 3 H), 1.77 (ddd, J = 14.1, 10.5, 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.27 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.99 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.13 (s, 3 H), 0.11 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 203.2, 173.1, 76.0, 74.7, 73.7, 44.2, 36.2, 34.1, 25.72, 25.66, 18.1, 17.9, 16.5, 14.0, -4.55, -4.63, -4.9, -5.2.

Example 63

Synthesis of Phosphonium Salt (49) Employing Ultrahigh Pressure.

Iodine (132 mg, 0.52 mmol) was added in one portion to a vigorously stirred solution of alcohol **40** (122 mg, 0.176 mmol, prepared from commercially available methyl *(S)*-(+)-3-hydroxy-2-methyl propionate generally according to Smith, et. al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011), PPh_3 (172 mg, 0.656 mmol) and imidazole (42 mg, 0.62 mmol) in benzene/ether (1:2, 1.5 mL) at 0 °C. The resultant solution was stirred 1 h at 0 °C and 1 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was diluted with ether (10 mL), washed with saturated aqueous sodium metabisulfite (5 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography afforded a colorless oil (147 mg, 100 % yield). This material was combined with diisopropylethylamine (0.016 mL, 0.091 mmol), triphenylphosphine (152 mg, 0.58 mmol) and benzene/toluene (7:3, 1.0 mL) in a plastic syringe and subjected to a pressure of 12.8 Kbar. After 6 days, the reaction mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (10% MeCN/$CHCl_3$) to provide **49** [138 mg, 74% yield from **40**] as a pale yellow foam: ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$; concentration-dependent) d 7.82-7.76 (m, 15 H),

7.35 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.35 (s, 1 H), 5.30 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.07 (dd, J = 11.2, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.73-3.67 (m, 2 H), 3.56 (dd, J = 7.0, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.48 (dd, J = 9.8, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (apparent t, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.31 (ddd, J = 15.6, 11.2, 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.49 (ddq, J = 10.5, 6.4, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.25 (apparent t, J = 12.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.10-1.92 (m, 3 H), 1.85 (dqd, J = 7.1, 7.1, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.57-1.52 (m, 1 H), 1.56 (s, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.852 (s, 9 H), 0.849 (s, 9 H), 0.72-0.71 (m, 3 H), 0.71 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.69 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.10 (s, 3 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H), -0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.07 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.8, 135.2 (d, J_{CP} = 2.6 Hz), 133.5 (d, J_{CP} = 10.0 Hz), 132.9, 131.4, 130.6 (d, J_{CP} = 12.6 Hz), 130.3, 127.3, 118.4 (d, J_{CP} = 85.5 Hz), 113.4, 101.0, 83.2, 80.1 (d, J_{CP} = 14.0 Hz), 78.3, 73.2, 55.3, 38.1, 37.4, 36.0, 33.7 (d, J_{CP} = 4.4 Hz), 33.6, 30.7, 26.1, 25.5 (d, J_{CP} = 49.7 Hz), 22.9, 18.33, 18.29, 17.2, 17.1, 12.5, 12.1, 10.9, -3.2, -3.6, -3.7, -4.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 937.5708 [(M-I)$^+$; calcd for $C_{57}H_{86}O_5PSi_2$: 937.5751].

Example 64

Synthesis of Diene (76).

Phosphonium salt **49** (166 mg, 0.156 mmol), was heated to 50 °C under vacuum (0.1 torr) for 18 h, dissolved in 0.8 mL of toluene, and cooled to 0 °C. The resultant solution was treated with potassium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (0.5 M in toluene, 0.32 mL), was stirred 20 min at 0 °C and 20 min at ambient temperature and re-chilled to -78 °C. To this reaction mixture was transferred via cannula a solution of aldehyde **67** (58 mg, 0.13 mmol) in toluene (0.3 mL + 2 x 0.2 mL rinse). The resultant solution was allowed to slowly warm to -20 °C during 1 h. A solution of pH 7 phosphate buffer was added and the biphasic solution was warmed to ambient temperature and

extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 x 20 mL). The combined organics were dried ($MgSO_4$), concentrated, and chromatographed (10% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to afford **76** (83 mg, 57%) as a colorless oil that solidified upon standing: $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ +32.1° © 0.68, $CHCl_3$); ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.97 (br d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.87 (br d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 5.34 (s, 1 H), 5.29 (dd, J = 11.1, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.19 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.07 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.78 (br t, J = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.52 (br t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.10 (dd, J = 11.1, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.80 (s, 3 H), 3.64 (m, 2 H), 3.54-3.46 (m, 2 H), 3.25 (t, J = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.65-2.57 (m, 2 H), 2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.31 (t, J = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.06 (m, 1 H), 1.96 (m, 1 H), 1.90 (dqd, J = 7.1, 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.78 (ddd, J = 10.3, 6.6, 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.72 (ddd, J = 14.0, 11.0, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 (br d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.56 (m, 1 H), 1.55 (s, 3 H), 1.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.02 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.91 (s, 9 H), 0.90 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.75 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.74 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.073 (s, 3 H), 0.071 (s, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 6 H), 0.05 (s, 6 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H), 0.00 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 173.2, 159.8, 133.6, 132.4, 131.9, 131.5, 131.4, 127.3, 113.4, 101.0, 83.4, 80.4, 78.4, 76.9, 74.9, 73.3, 64.7, 55.2, 44.1, 42.7, 38.0, 37.4, 35.2, 34.2, 34.0, 30.8, 26.3, 26.2, 25.9, 25.7, 23.2, 18.43, 18.39, 18.1, 17.9, 17.1, 16.4, 16.2, 14.0, 12.8, 12.1, 10.8, -2.9, -3.5, -3.8, -4.37, -4.41, -4.5, -4.87, -4.88. Recrystallization from hexanes afforded fine needles: mp 117-119 °C.

Example 65

Synthesis of Aldehyde (77).

A solution of acetal **76** (20 mg, 0.018 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL) was cooled to -78 °C and diisobutylaluminum hydride (1.0 M in toluene, 0.18 mL, 0.18 mmol) was added over 5 min. After an additional 10 min at -78 °C and 30 min at 0 °C, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous potassium sodium tartrate

(0.5 mL). The mixture was then diluted with ether (20 mL), washed with saturated aqueous potassium sodium tartrate and brine (10 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexanes) provided an epimeric mixture of hydroxy-lactols (14.7 mg, 74% yield) as a colorless oil. The mixture of lactols (14.7 mg, 0.0133 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with pyridinium dichromate (26 mg, 0.069 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred 12 h at ambient temperature, diluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL), filtered (Celite) and concentrated. Flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexanes) afforded **77** (12.4 mg, 62% from **76**) as a colorless oil: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.80 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.22 (br d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (br d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 5.30 (dd, J = 11.1, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.20 (dd, J = 10.9, 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.11 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.79 (apparent t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.52 (br t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.47 (s, 2 H), 3.80 (s, 3 H), 3.62 (t, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.59 (m, 2 H), 3.26 (t, J = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.75 (m, 1 H), 2.62 (m, 2 H), 2.50 (m, 1 H), 2.24 (t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.99-1.88 (m, 2 H), 1.83-1.65 (m, 3 H), 1.59 (s, 3 H), 1.58 (m, 1 H), 1.21 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.13 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.04 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.91 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.75 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 6 H), 0.05 (s, 6 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 204.5, 173.2, 159.3, 133.5, 132.5, 132.3, 130.8, 130.3, 129.1, 113.8, 82.6, 80.4, 76.9, 74.9, 74.4, 64.6, 55.3, 49.5, 44.1, 42.7, 40.3, 37.4, 36.8, 35.2, 35.0, 34.2, 26.3, 26.2, 25.9, 25.7, 23.1, 18.5, 18.4, 18.1, 17.9, 17.1, 16.4, 16.2, 14.1, 13.4, 12.2, 11.4, -3.0, -3.3, -3.4, -4.3, -4.4, -4.5, -4.9.

Example 66

Synthesis of Tetraene (58)

Method A. A solution of allyldiphenylphosphine (0.0035 mL, 0.0162 mmol) in anhydrous THF was cooled to -78 °C and *t*-BuLi (1.7 M in pentane, 0.010 mL, 0.017 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min, recooled to -78 °C and treated $Ti(OiPr)_4$ (0.005 mL, 0.017 mmol). After 30 min, a cold (-78 °C) solution of the aldehyde **77** (3.5 mg, 0.0032 mmol) in THF (0.25 mL + 0.25 mL rinse) was introduced via cannula, and the mixture was stirred 10 min further at -78 °C and at 0 °C for 30 min. Methyl Iodide (0.0025 mL, 0.04 mmol) was then added, and the reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was diluted with ether (10 mL), washed with 1.0 M aqueous $NaHSO_4$ and brine (5 mL each), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexane) gave a 1.2:1 mixture of Z/E isomers (2.1 mg, 58%) as an oil. Pipette flash chromatography on 10% silver nitrate-silica gel (5% ether/hexanes) furnished the Z-olefin **58** as a colorless oil: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.25 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H), 6.57 (dddd, J = 16.8, 11.0, 11.0, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.00 (apparent t, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (apparent t, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.26 (dd, J = 11.2, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.20-5.16 (m, 2 H), 5.09 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.05 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.03 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.67 (apparent t, J = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.49 (AB_q, J_{AB} = 10.6 Hz, $\Delta\nu_{AB}$ = 41.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.68 (apparent t, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.52 (apparent t, J = 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.43 (dd, J = 4.8, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.24-3.21 (m, 2 H), 3.01-2.94 (m, 1 H), 2.67 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.61 (dq, J = 12.8, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.71-2.57 (m, 1 H), 2.46-2.39 (m, 1 H), 2.00 (apparent t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.83-1.73 (m, 3 H), 1.64 (br d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.62-1.52 (m, 2 H), 1.55 (d, J = 0.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.36 (ddd, J = 13.7, 10.8, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.26 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.25 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.08 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.93 (s, 9 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H),

0.89-0.86 (m, 3 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.70 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 6 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H), 0.013 (s, 3 H), 0.010 (s, 6 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.1, 134.5, 134.3, 132.2, 131.9, 131.8, 131.2, 129.13, 129.07, 117.6, 113.7, 84.6, 80.9, 80.5, 76.5, 75.0, 74.2, 65.5, 55.3, 42.5, 41.9, 40.2, 37.2, 36.1, 35.4, 35.3, 34.5, 29.7, 26.3, 26.0, 25.9, 25.1, 23.1, 18.7, 18.6, 18.5, 18.14, 18.09, 17.0, 16.8, 15.6, 14.8, 14.4, 11.6, 10.6, -2.8, -3.2, -3.3, -3.6, -4.2, -4.5, -4.90, -4.93; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 1195.8001 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{66}H_{124}O_7SSi_4Na$: 1195.8042].

Method B. A vigorously stirred suspension of chromium(III) chloride (7.8 mg, 0.048 mmol) in anhydrous THF (0.6 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and treated with lithium aluminum hydride (1.0 M in ether, 0.022 mL, 0.022 mmol). The resultant solution was stirred 20 min at room temperature and re-cooled to 0 °C. Aldehyde **77** (3.9 mg, 0.035 mmol) was added in THF (0.4 mL). After 10 min, a mixture of 3-bromo-1-trimethylsilyl-1-propene and 3-bromo-3-trimethlsilyl-1-propene (3:1, 0.002 mL, 0.01 mmol, *see*, Hodgson, *et.* al., *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1992**, *33*, 4761) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 12 h and then diluted with hexanes-ethyl acetate (9:1), washed with water, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate and brine, dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated. Flash chromatography afforded a 2.8:1 mixture of hydroxy silanes (3.8 mg, 89%). The mixture was dissolved in THF (0.6 mL), cooled to 0 °C and treated with potassium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (0.5 M in toluene, 0.068 mL, 0.34 mmol). After 15 min, trichloroacetic acid (5 mg, 0.03 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was diluted with hexanes and washed with water and brine. The combined aqueous washings were further extracted with hexanes. The combine organics were dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated in

vacuo. Flash Chromatography afforded (2.6 mg, 65% yield for 2 steps) of tetraene **58** as a colorless oil.

Method C. Phosphonium salt **75** (120 mg, 0.11 mmol) was heated to 50 °C under vacuum (0.1 torr) for 18 h and dissolved in 0.4 mL of anhydrous toluene. The resultant solution was cooled to 0 °C and was treated with potassium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (0.5 M in toluene, 0.23 mL, 0.115 mmol). The resultant solution was stirred 20 min at 0 °C and 20 min at ambient temperature before being chilled to -78 °C. Aldehyde **67**(46 mg, 0.10 mmol) was added in toluene (0.4 mL) and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 0 °C during 2.5 h. The reaction was partitioned between hexanes (10 mL) and pH 7 phosphate buffer solution(10 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 x 15 mL) and the combined organics were dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated. Flash chromatography afforded tetraene **58** (49 mg, 42 % yield).

Example 67

Synthesis of Alcohol (71).

A solution of **(+)-39** (106 mg, 0.13 mmol, prepared from commercially available methyl *(S)*-(+)-3-hydroxy-2-methyl propionate generally as described by Smith, et. al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12011)) in CH_2Cl_2 was cooled to 0 °C and treated with neat diisobutylaluminum hydride (0.15 mL, 0.84 mmol). After 1 h, a solution of saturated aqueous potassium sodium tartrate (10 mL) was added (dropwise until cessation of hydrogen evolution) and the resultant biphasic mixture was stirred 4 h at ambient temperature. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 10 mL) and the combined organics were dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (15% ethyl acetate/hexanes) afforded alcohol **71** (88 mg, 83%) as a colorless oil: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.26-7.20 (m, 4 H), 6.87-6.82 (m, 4 H), 5.03 (br d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (AB_q, J = 10.5 Hz, Dv = 12.1 Hz, 2 H), 4.37 (AB_q,

J = 11.6 Hz, Dv = 14.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.74 (m, 1 H), 3.57 (quintet, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.47 (dd, J = 9.1, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.38 (dd, J = 6.0, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.35 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.20 (t, dd, J = 8.9, 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.68 (br t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.22 (br t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.00-1.84 (m, 4 H), 1.74 (br d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.58 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.04 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.02 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.88 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H), 0.1 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.4, 159.0, 131.64, 131.60, 131.0, 130.4, 129.3, 129.0, 113.9, 113.7, 86.2, 78.4, 77.5, 75.2, 72.7, 72.6, 65.4, 55.3, 39.9, 38.7, 37.5, 36.7, 35.7, 35.2, 26.2, 26.1, 23.1, 18.5, 18.4, 17.0, 15.7, 14.6, 13.7, 11.4, -3.3, -3.4, -3.9.

Example 68

Synthesis of Aldehyde (72).

A solution of alcohol **71**(88 mg, 0.108 mmol) and triethylamine (0.075 mL, 0.54 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL) and dimethylsulfoxide (1 mL) was treated with sulfur trioxide-pyridine (55 mg, 0.34 mmol). After 90 min, the mixture was diluted with ether (30 mL), washed with water (10 mL), aqueous $NaHSO_4$ (0.1 M, 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Flash chromatography (5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) afforded **72** (84 mg, 96% yield) as a colorless oil: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 9.79 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 4 H), 6.87-6.82 (m, 4 H), 5.03 (br d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.46 (AB_q, J = 10.8 Hz, Dv = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 4.37 (AB_q, J = 11.6 Hz, Dv = 14.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.57 (m, 2 H), 3.47 (dd, J = 9.1, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.39 (dd, J = 5.9, 4.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.21 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.73 (m, 1 H), 2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.25 (t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.99-1.86 (m, 3 H), 1.70 (br d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.58 (s, 3 H), 1.12 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.03 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.0

Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.88 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.74 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.06 (s, 3 H), 0.02 (s, 3 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 204.5, 159.3, 159.0, 131.7, 131.5, 131.0, 130.3, 129.1, 129.0, 113.8, 113.7, 82.6, 78.4, 77.2, 74.4, 72.7, 72.5, 55.25, 55.24, 49.5, 40.3, 38.7, 36.7, 35.7, 35.0, 26.2, 26.1, 23.1, 18.5, 18.4, 17.0, 14.6, 13.4, 12.2, 11.4, -3.3, -3.4, -3.89, -3.91.

Example 69

Synthesis of Triene (73).

A solution lithium aluminum hydride (1.0 M in ether, 0.022 mL, 0.022 mmol).was added dropwise to a vigorously stirred suspension of chromium(III) chloride (40 mg, 0.25 mmol) in anhydrous THF (2 mL) at 0 °C. The resultant solution was stirred 45 min at room temperature and re-cooled to 0 °C. Aldehyde **72** (50 mg, 0.061 mmol) was added in THF (3 mL) via cannula. After 10 min, a mixture of 3-bromo-1-trimethylsilyl-1-propene and 3-bromo-3-trimethlsilyl-1-propene (3:1, 0.025 mL, 0.13 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was further stirred 30 min at 0 °C and at ambient temperature for 12 h. Methanol (1 mL) and aqueous potassium hydroxide solution (6 M, 2 mL) were added and the resultant solution was stirred 1 h at ambient temperature. The aqueous layer was extracted with hexanes (3 x 15 mL). The combined organics were washed with brine, dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated. Flash chromatography provided triene **73** (47 mg, 92%) as a single geometric isomer: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.27-7.20 (m, 4 H), 6.87-6.82 (m, 4 H), 6.57 (dt, J = 16.8, 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.00 (t, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (t, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.18 (dd, J = 16.8, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.09 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.96 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (AB_q, J = 10.6 Hz, Dv = 43.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.36 (AB_q, J = 11.6 Hz, Dv = 16.9 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 3.44 (m, 2 H), 3.36 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.24 (dd, J = 7.4, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.19 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.98 (m, 1 H), 2.44 (m, 1 H), 2.03 (t, J = 12.4 Hz,

1 H), 1.95 (m, 1 H), 1.84-1.72 (m, 2 H), 1.65 (br d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.52 (s, 3 H), 1.09 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.99 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.93 (s, 9 H), 0.91 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.85 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.70 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.01 (s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 159.1, 159.0, 134.5, 132.2, 131.8, 131.2, 131.1, 129.1, 129.0, 117.6, 113.7, 84.6, 78.4, 77.2, 75.0, 72.7, 72.5, 55.3, 40.1, 38.9, 36.1, 35.5, 35.4, 26.3, 26.1, 23.0, 18.7, 18.6, 18.4, 17.2, 14.7, 14.4, 10.6, -3.2, -3.3, -3.89, -3.92.

Example 70

Synthesis of Alcohol (74).

Method A: Bis-ether **73** is dissolved in a mixture of CH_2Cl_2 and water (19:1) and cooled to 0 °C. 2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (1 eq) is added and the resultant solution is stirred 2 h at 0 °C. The reaction mixture is diluted with hexanes and washed with aqueous sodium hydroxide solution, dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated. Flash chromatography affords **74.**

Method B: A solution of **73** and ethanethiol in CH_2Cl_2 is cooled to -78 °C and treated with a Lewis acid (e.g. magnesium bromide, borontrifluoride etherate, tin(IV) chloride, titanium(IV) chloride, etc.). The resultant solution is allowed to slowly warm until reaction ensues. The reaction is then quenched with aqueous sodium hydroxide solution, washed with water and brine, dried over $MgSO_4$, concentrated and chromatographed to afford **74**: ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 7.27 (br d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.87 (br d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.60 (dt, J = 16.8, 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.04 (t, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.57 (t, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.55 (dd, J = 16.8, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.12 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.97 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.51 ($AB_{quartet}$, J = 10.6 Hz, Dv = 47.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.80 (s, 3 H), 3.66 (dt, J = 10.9, 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (m, 1 H), 3.44 (dd, J = 4.8, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.39 (dd, 6.9, 3.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.25 (dd, J = 7.4,

3.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.00 (m, 1 H), 2.54 (m, 1 H), 2.31 (br t, J = 5.5 Hz, OH), 2.05 (t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.85-1.73 (m, 3 H), 1.67 (br d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1 H), 1,56 (s, 3 H), 1.11 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.99 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (s, 9 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.91 (d, = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.72 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.10 (s, 9 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H).

Example 71

Synthesis of Phosphonium Salt (75).

Iodine (127 mg, 0.50 mmol) was added in one portion to a vigorously stirred solution of alcohol **74** (120 mg, 0.167 mmol), triphenylphosphine (156 mg, 0.595 mmol), and imidazole (40 mg, 0.59 mmol) in benzene/ether (1:1) at -10 °C. The resultant solution was stirred 30 min at -10 °C and 30 min at ambient temperature, was diluted with 30 mL hexanes and was washed with water (2 x 10 mL), saturated aqueous sodium metabisulfite (10 mL), saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (10 mL) and saturated brine (10 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated. Flash chromatography (2% ether/hexanes) provided a colorless oil. The oil was combined with diisopropylethylamine (0.015 mL, 0.086 mmol), triphenylphosphine (199 mg, 0.758 mmol), and benzene/toluene (7:3, 1.0 mL) in a plastic syringe and was subjected to a pressure of 12.8 Kbar. After 16 days, the reaction mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (10% acetonitrile/chloroform) to afford phosphonium salt **75** (126 mg, 76% for two steps) as a pale yellow film: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 8.84-7.65 (m, 15 H), 7.27 (br d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.87 (br d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.54 (dt, J = 16.8, 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5,89 (t, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.51 (t, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.30 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.21 (d, J = 16.8, 1 H), 5.08 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.51 (AB_q, J = 10.4 Hz, Dv = 55.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.76-3.68 (m, 2 H), 3.42 (dd, J = 5.4, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.25-3.17 (m, 2 H), 2.97 (m, 1 H), 2.41 (m, 1 H), 2.06 (m, 1 H), 1.95 (t, J = 12.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.77-1.72 (m, 2 H), 1.58 (br d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.53 (s, 3

H), 1.10 (d, J =6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.91 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.69 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.66 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (s, 3 H), -0.05 (s, 3 H).

Example 72

Synthesis of Alcohol (+)-59.

At 0 °C, a solution of PMB ether **(+)-58** (4.0 mg, 3.55 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.5 mL) was treated with H_2O (50 mL) and DDQ (3.0 mg, 13.2 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 1 h and then diluted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), washed with brine (3 x 30 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (2% ethyl acetate/hexanes) provided **59** (3.4 mg, 95% yield) as a colorless oil: ^1H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.61 (ddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.9, 10.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.13 (apparent t, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.32 (apparent t, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.28 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.24-5.21 (m, 1 H), 5.19 (apparent t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.76 (apparent t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (apparent t, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.62 (apparent t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.60 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.32 (br d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.24 (apparent t, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.79 (ddq, *J* = 9.9, 6.7, 6.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.60 (qd, *J* = 7.6, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.63-2.57 (m, 1 H), 2.50-2.45 (m, 1 H), 2.16 (apparent t, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.90-1.77 (m, 3 H), 1.75-1.69 (m, 2 H), 1.57 (s, 3 H), 1.60-1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.95-0.93 (m, 6 H), 0.91 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.89-0.84 (m, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9 H), 0.85 (s, 9 H), 0.73 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.07 (apparent s, 6 H), 0.052 (s, 3 H), 0.051 (s, 3 H), 0.04 (apparent s, 6 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.01 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 173.3, 134.7, 133.5, 132.5, 132.1, 132.0, 131.5, 131.0, 118.4, 80.5, 78.8, 76.4, 74.9, 64.7, 44.1, 42.7, 38.0, 37.4, 36.3, 36.1, 35.2, 35.1, 34.2, 26.3, 26.2, 25.9, 25.7, 23.2, 18.5, 18.1,

18.0, 17.3, 17.2, 16.4, 16.1, 14.1, 13.7, 9.4, -3.0, -3.3, -3.6, -4.34, -4.36, -4.5, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 1029.7273 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{56}H_{110}O_7Si_4Na$: 1029.7226].

Example 73

Synthesis of Carbamate (+)-60.

A solution of alcohol **59** (2.2 mg, 2.19 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.5 mL) was treated with trichloroacetyl isocyanate (20 mL, 0.17 mmol) at room temperature for 30 min. CH_2Cl_2 (2.0 mL) and neutral alumina (500 mg) were then added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, filtered through a short plug of silica, and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (10% ethyl acetate/hexane) furnished **60** (1.9 mg, 83% yield) as a colorless oil: IR (film, NaCl) 3510 (m), 3360 (m, br), 3180 (m), 2960 (s), 2930 (s), 2880 (s), 2855 (s), 1730 (s, br), 1596 (m), 1460 (s), 1385 (s), 1362 (s), 1325 (m), 1255 (s), 1220 (m), 1100 (s), 1043 (s), 983 (m), 937 (m), 904 (m), 832 (s), 770 (s), 663 (m) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.58 (dddd, *J* = 16.8, 10.6, 10.6, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.01 (apparent t, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.36 (apparent t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 11.1, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.22-5.16 (m, 2 H), 5.12 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.03 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.76 (apparent t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.71 (apparent t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (ddd, *J* = 10.5, 10.5, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.44 (br s, 2 H), 3.62 (apparent t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.42 (apparent t, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.22 (apparent t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.98 (ddq, *J* = 10.1, 6.6, 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.60 (qd, *J* = 7.6, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.63-2.55 (m, 1 H), 2.48-2.41 (m, 1 H), 2.09 (apparent t, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.93-1.88 (m, 1 H), 1.87-1.77 (m, 2 H), 1.71 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 10.8, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 (br d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.56 (apparent s, 3 H), 1.55-1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.21 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 0.918 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.915 (s, 9 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.86

(s, 9 H), 0.853 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 0.847 (s, 9 H), 0.70 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.053 (s, 3 H), 0.051 (s, 3 H), 0.040 (s, 3 H), 0.037 (s, 3 H), 0.03 (s, 3 H), -0.02 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 173.3, 156.9, 133.6, 133.5, 132.4, 132.1, 131.9, 131.4, 129.8, 118.0, 80.5, 78.9, 74.9, 64.6, 44.2, 42.7, 37.8, 37.4, 36.0, 35.3, 35.2, 34.5, 34.2, 26.3, 26.2, 25.9, 25.7, 23.0, 18.5, 18.4, 18.1, 18.0, 17.5, 17.1, 16.44, 16.38, 14.1, 13.7, 10.1, -3.0, -3.4, -3.6, -4.4, -4.5, -4.8; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) *m/z* 1072.7264 [(M+Na)$^+$; calcd for $C_{57}H_{111}NO_8Si_4Na$: 1072.7283].

Example 74

Synthesis of (+)-Discodermolide.

Tetrasilyl derivative **(+)-60** (5.8 mg, 5.5 mmol) was dissolved in 48% HF-CH_3CN (1:9, 1.0 mL) at room temperature. After12 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 10 mL). The combined extracts were washed with brine (5 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated. Pipette flash chromatography (gradient elution; 1:30 -> 1:6 MeOH/$CHCl_3$) gave (+)-**1** (2.0 mg, 60% yield) as a white amorphous solid: $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ +15 ° © 0.033, MeOH); IR ($CHCl_3$) 3690 (w), 3620 (w), 3540 (w), 3430 (w), 3020 (s), 2975 (m), 2935 (m), 1740 (m), 1590 (w), 1540 (w), 1520 (w), 1467 (w), 1430 (w), 1385 (m), 1330 (w), 1233 (s), 1210 (s), 1100 (w), 1045 (m), 1033 (m), 975 (w), 930 (m), 910 (w), 793 (m), 777 (m), 765 (m), 750 (m), 705 (m), 687 (m), 670 (m), 660 (m), 625 (w) cm^{-1}; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 6.60 (dddd, J = 16.8, 8.4, 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.02 (apparent t, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.51 (dd, J = 11.2, 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.42 (ddd, J = 10.6, 10.6, 0.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.34 (apparent t, J = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.20 (dd, J = 16.9, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.16 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.11 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.77-4.69 (m, 1 H), 4.70 (dd, J = 7.3, 4.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.60 (ddd, J = 10.0, 10.0, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.56 (br s, 2 H), 3.73 (m, 1 H), 3.28 (m, 1 H), 3.18 (dd,

J = 6.8, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.98 (ddq, J = 10.1, 6.9, 6.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.78 (ddq, J = 9.8, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.66 (qd, J = 7.3, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.60-2.55 (m, 1 H), 2.10-1.80 (m, 10 H), 1.69 (ddd, J = 14.4, 10.3, 3.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.64 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.30 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.00 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.99 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.97 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.82 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHZ, $CDCl_3$) d 173.6, 157.0, 134.4, 133.7, 133.4, 132.9, 132.2, 129.9, 129.8, 117.9, 79.1, 78.9, 77.1, 75.7, 73.2, 64.4, 43.1, 41.0, 37.4, 36.1, 36.0, 35.8, 35.3, 34.8, 33.1, 23.3, 18.4, 17.4, 15.6, 15.5, 13.7, 12.5, 9.0; high resolution mass spectrum (FAB, NBA) m/z 616.3840 [$(M+Na)^+$; calcd for $C_{33}H_{55}NO_8Na$: 616.3826].

Example 75

I. General procedure for synthesis of siloxy aldehydes (85).

A. A solution of organolithium (M = Li, figure 41))of type **80-83** (20 mmol) in ether (40 mL) is added slowly to a 0 °C solution of benzyl (S)-(+)-glycidyl ether (9 mmol) in ether (20 mL). The reaction is allowed to warm to room temperature. After 18-24 h, the reaction mixture is quenched by the addition of tert-butyldimethylsilyl triflate (10 mmol) and poured into saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (100 mL). The aqueous layer is separated and extracted with ether (2 x 50 mL). The combined organics are washed with saturated aqueous brine (50 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated in vacuo. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford an alpha-siloxy benzyl ether.

B. To a solution of the above benzyl ether (6 mmol) in ethyl acetate-ethanol (8:1, 90 mL) is added palladium on carbon (10% wet, 500 mg). The mixture is stirred under hydrogen atmosphere for 3-6 h, then filtered and concentrated

in vacuo. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford an alcohol.

C. Aldehyde **85**.

Oxalyl chloride (1.5 mmol) is added dropwise to a -78 °C solution of dimethyl sulfoxide (3 mmol) in dichloromethane (4 mL). After 15 min, a -78 °C solution of the alcohol prepared in part B (1 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added via canula. After an additional 15 min, diisopropylethylamine (4.5 mmol) is added and the reaction is gradually warmed to room temperature over 1 h and quenched with aqueous sodium bisulfate. The mixture is diluted with ether (50 mL) and is washed with water (2 x 30 mL), saturated aqueous brine (2 x 30 mL), is dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated in vacuo. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford 85.

II. General procedure for the conversion of (85) to tetraene (86).

D. Phosphonium salt **75** (0.2 mmol) is dissolved in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) and chilled to 0 °C. A solution of potassium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (0.2 mmol, 0.5 M in tetrahydrofuran) is added and the reaction mixture is stirred 30 min at 0 °C. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of aldehyde 85 (0.1 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) is added and the mixture is stirred 10 min at -78 °C and 2 h at room temperature. Saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (2 mL) is added and the resultant mixture is extracted with ether (3 x 20 mL). The ethereal layer is washed with water (2 x 25 mL) and saturated aqueous brine (25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated in vacuo. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford a tetraene.

E. To a solution of the tetraene prepared in part D (0.050 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 mL) at 0 °C is added water (0.050 mL) and 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (0.018 mmol). After 1 h, the reaction mixture is diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), washed with saturated aqueous brine (3 x 25 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated in vacuo.

The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford an alcohol.

F. To a solution of the alcohol prepared in part E (0.010 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) is added trichloroacetyl isocyanate (1.00 mmol). After 30 min, the reaction mixture is diluted with dichloromethane (4 mL) and neutral alumina (1 g) is added. The resultant suspension is stirred an additional 4 h. The reaction mixture is filtered and the concentrated filtrate is chromatographed on silica gel to afford a carbamate.

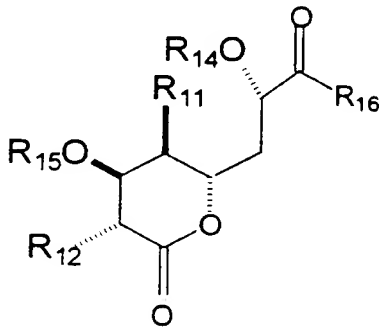
G. Analog **86**.

A solution of the carbamate prepared in part F (0.010 mmol) in 48% hydrofluoric acid-acetonitrile (1:9, 2 mL) is stirred at ambient temperature. After 12 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (25 mL) is added and the mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL). The combined organics are dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated in vacuo. The residue is purified by flash chromatography to afford **86**.

Those skilled in the art will appreciate that numerous changes and modifications may be made to the preferred embodiments of the invention and that such changes and modifications may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention. It is therefore intended that the appended claims cover all equivalent variations as fall within the true spirit and scope of the invention.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A process for producing a compound of the formula:



wherein:

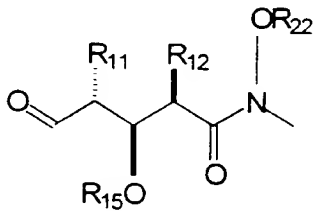
R_{11} and R_{12} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_{14} and R_{15} are, independently, acid labile protecting groups; and

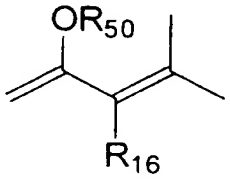
R_{16} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

comprising the steps of:

-contacting an aldehyde having formula:

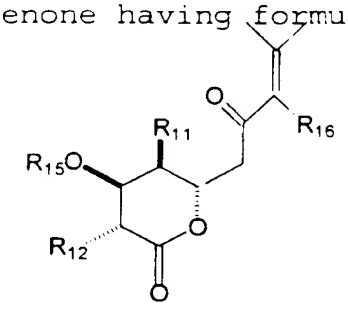


wherein R_{22} is C_1-C_{10} alkyl with an enol ether having formula:



wherein R_{50} is an acid labile protecting group,

in the presence of a Lewis acid for a time and under conditions effective to form an enone having formula:



-contacting said enone with a reducing agent for a time and under conditions effective to form a corresponding enol;

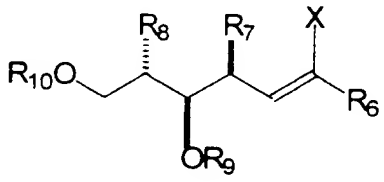
-contacting said enol with a compound having formula R-L wherein L is a leaving group and R is an acid labile protecting group, said contacting being performed for a time and under conditions effective to form a protected enol; and

-contacting said protected enol with an oxidizing agent for a time and under conditions effective to oxidize said carbon-carbon double bond of said protected enol.

2. A process according to claim 1, wherein R_{11}, R_{12}, and R_{22} are, independently, C_1-C_4 alkyl.

3. A process according to claim 2, wherein R_{11}, R_{12}, and R_{22} are methyl.

4. A process for producing a halogenated olefin having formula:



wherein:

R_6 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_7 and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

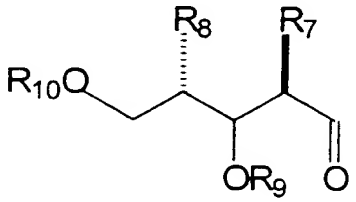
R_9 is an acid labile hydroxyl protecting group;

R_{10} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group; and

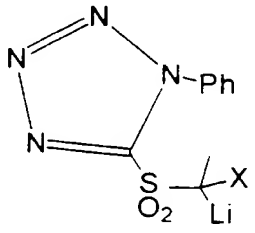
X is halogen;

comprising the steps of:

-contacting an aldehyde having formula:



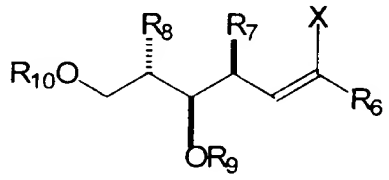
with an α-halo sulfone having formula:



for a time and conditions effective to from said halogenated olefin.

5. A process according to claim 4, wherein R_6, R_7, and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_4 alkyl.

6. A process of producing a halogenated olefin having formula:



wherein:

R_6 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_7 and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

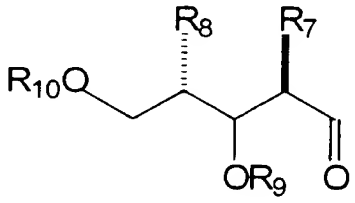
R_9 is an acid labile hydroxyl protecting group;

R_{10} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group; and

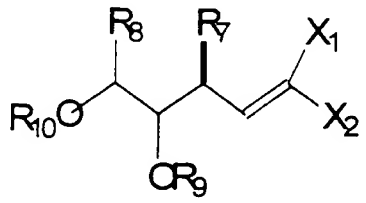
X is halogen;

comprising the steps of:

-contacting a compound having formula:



with triphenylphosphine and a carbon tetrahalide for a time and under conditions effective to form a dihalogenated olefin having formula:



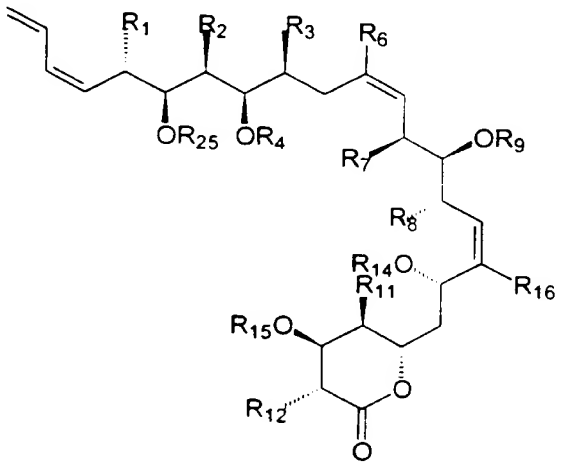
wherein X_1 and X_2 are halogens; and

-contacting said dihalogenated olefin with an organometallic compound in the presence of a catalyst for a time and under conditions effective to form said halogenated olefin.

7. A process according to claim 6, wherein R_6, R_7 and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_4 alkyl.

8. A process according to claim 6, wherein said catalyst is palladium or nickel.

9. A process for producing a diene having formula:



wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_7, R_8, R_{11}, and R_{12} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

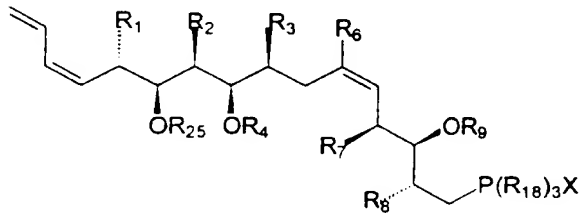
R_3 and R_6 are, independently, selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_4, R_9, R_{14} and R_{15} are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

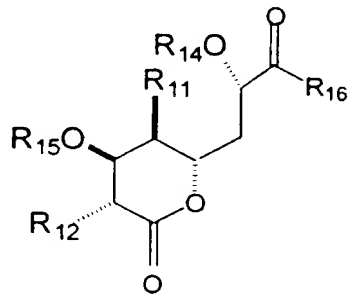
R_{25} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group; and

R_{16} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl; H or C_1-C_6 alkyl;

comprising contacting a phosphonium salt having formula:



wherein R_{18} is C_1-C_6 aryl with a base and a compound having formula:



for a time and under conditions effective to form said diene.

10. The process according to claim 9, wherein:

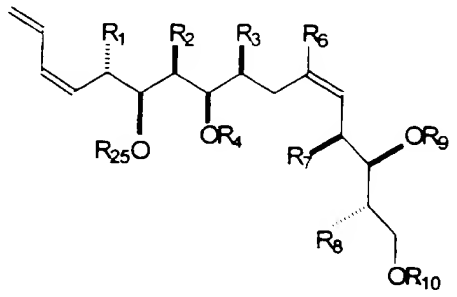
R_1, R_2, R_3, R_6, R_7, R_8, R_{11}, and R_{12} are methyl;

R_4, R_9 and R_{14} are *t*-butyldimethylsilyl;

and

R_{25} is *p*-methoxybenzyl.

11. A compound having the formula:



wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_7, and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

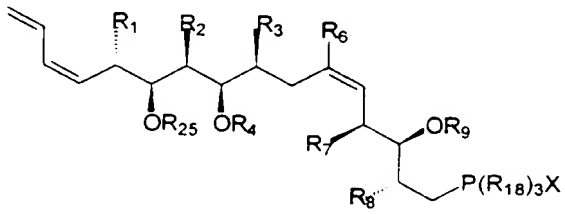
R_3 and R_6 are, independently, are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_4 and R_9 are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups; and

R_{10} and R_2 are, independently, acid stable hydroxyl protecting groups.

12. A compound according to claim 11, wherein R_1, R_2, R_3, R_6, R_7, and R_8, are, independently, C_1-C_4 alkyl.

13. A compound having the formula:



wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_7, and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_3 and R_6 are, independently, selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_4 and R_9 are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

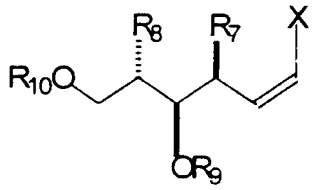
R_{18} is C_6-C_{14} aryl; and

R_{10} and R_{25} are acid stable hydroxyl protecting groups.

14. A compound according to claim 13, wherein R_1, R_2, R_4, R_6, R_7, and R_8, are, independently, C_1-C_4 alkyl.

15. A compound according to claim 13, wherein:
R_1 and R_9 are *t*-butyldimethylsilyl; and
R_{10} and R_{25} are *p*-methoxybenzyl.

16. A compound having the formula:

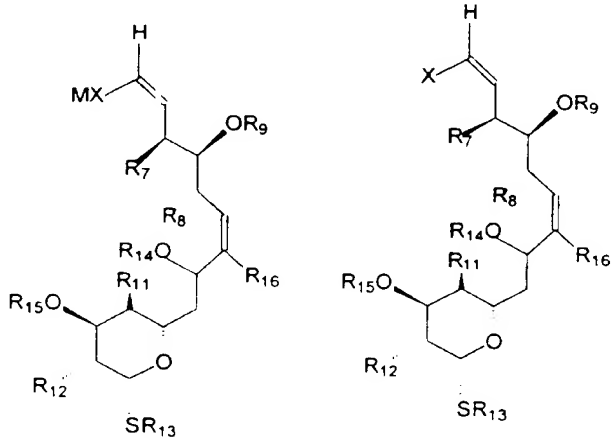


wherein:

R_7, and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;
X is halogen;
R_9 is an acid labile hydroxyl protecting group; and
R_{10} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group.

17. A compound according to claim 16, wherein R_7 and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_4 alkyl.

18. A compound having one having formulas:



wherein:

R_7, R_8, R_{11}, R_{12}, and R_{13} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

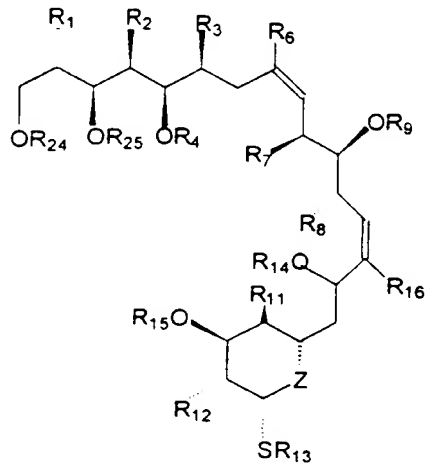
X is halogen;

M is Li, Cu, Mg, or Zn;

R_9, R_{14}, and R_{15} are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl groups; and

R_{16} is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1-C_6 alkyl.

19. A compound having the formula:



wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_7, R_8, R_{11}, R_{12}, and R_{13} are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_6 and R_3 are, independently, selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

Z is O;

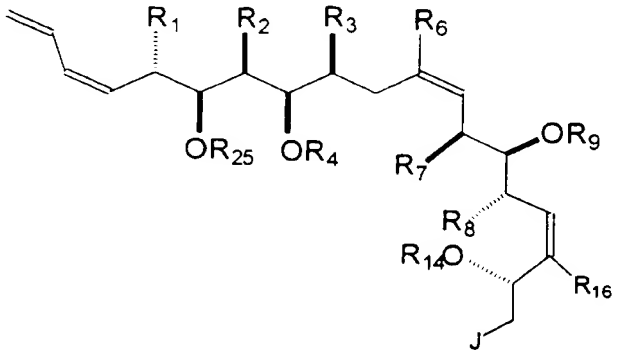
R_4, R_9, R_{14}, and R_{15} are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

R_{16} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

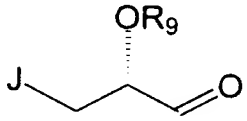
R_{24} is hydrogen;

R_{25} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group.

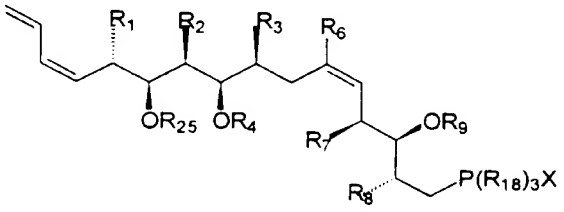
20. A process for producing a compound having formula:



comprising contacting a compound of the formula:



with a phosphonium salt of the formula:



and base, wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_7, and R_8, are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_6 and R_3 are, independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_4, R_9, and R_{14} are acid labile protecting groups;

R_{18} is C_6-C_{14} aryl;

R_{25} is an acid stable protecting group; and

J is C_1-C_{10} alkyl, C_6-C_{14} aryl, C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkyl. or C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkenyl,

21. A process according to claim 20, wherein

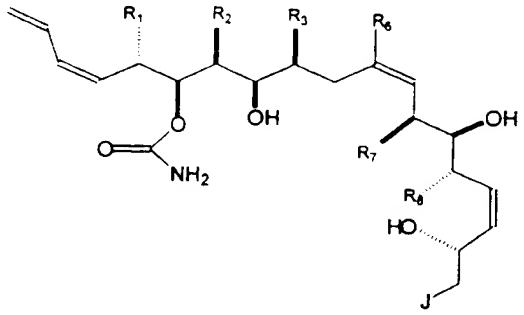
R_1, R_2, R_7, and R_8, are, independently, C_1-C_4 alkyl;

R_6 is hydrogen or C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_3 is hydrogen or C_1-C_{10} alkyl; and

J is methyl, phenyl, pyranyl, or pyranenyl.

22. A compound having the formula:



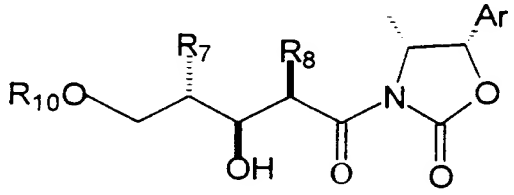
wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_7, and R_8, are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_6 and R_3 are independently selected from the group comprising hydrogen and C_1-C_{10} alkyl; and

J is C_1-C_{10} alkyl, C_6-C_{14} aryl, C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkyl, or C_2-C_{10} heterocycloalkenyl.

23. A process for preparing an amide having formula:



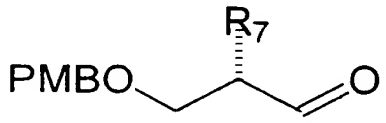
wherein:

R_7 and R_8 are, independently C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

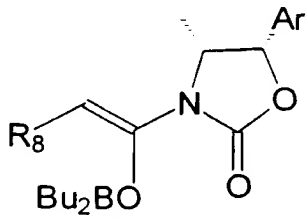
R_{10} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group; and

Ar is C_6-C_{14} aryl;

comprising the steps of contacting a compound having formula:

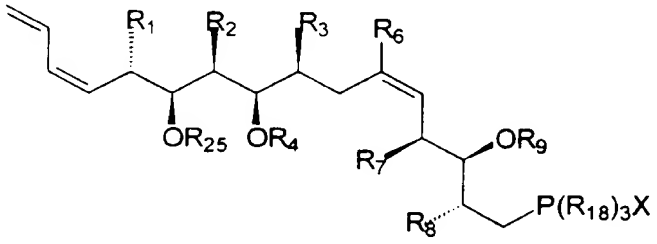


with a compound having formula:



for a time and under conditions effective to form said amide.

24. A process for producing a compound formula:



wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_7, and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

R_3 and R_6 are, independently, selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

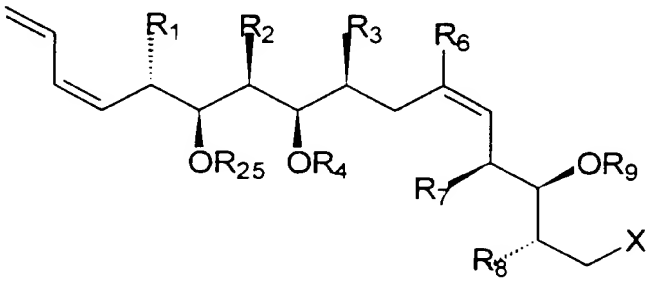
R_4 and R_9 are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

R_{18} is C_6-C_{14} aryl;

X is a halogen; and

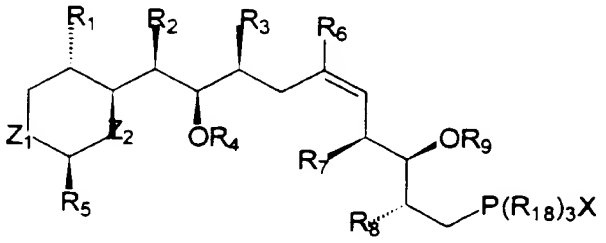
R_{25} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group;

comprising contacting an alkyl halide having formula:



with $P(R_{18})_3$ for a time and under conditions effective to produce said compound.

25. A process for producing a compound formula:



wherein:

R_1, R_2, R_3, R_7, and R_8 are, independently, C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

X is a halogen;

R_6 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1-C_{10} alkyl;

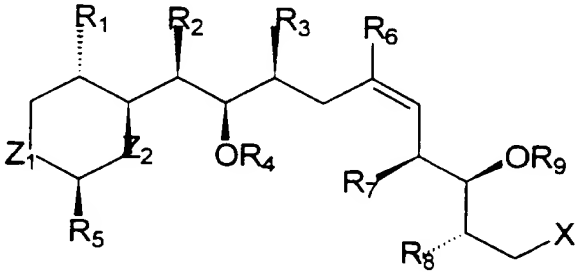
Z_1 and Z_2 are, independently, O, S or NR';

R_4 and R_9 are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

R_5 is C_6-C_{14} aryl; and

R_{18} is C_6-C_{14} aryl;

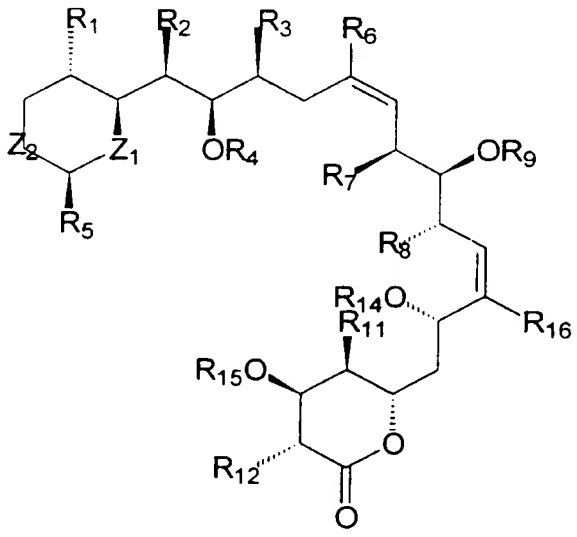
comprising contacting an alkyl halide having formula:

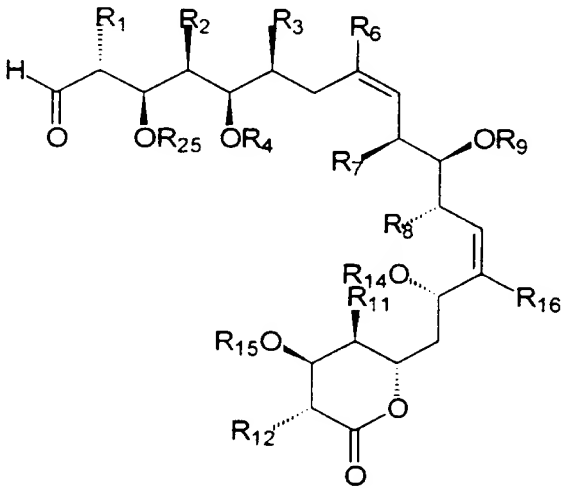


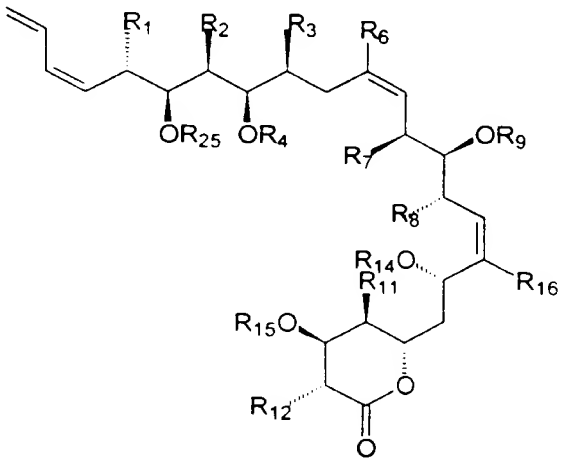
with $P(R_{18})_3$ for a time and under conditions effective to produce said compound.

26. The process of claim 25 wherein said contacting is performed in an organic solvent at a pressure of about 5 Kbar to about 20 Kbar.

27. A compound having one of the following formulas:







wherein:

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R_3 and R_6 are, independently, selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R_4, R_9, R_{14} and R_{15} are, independently, acid labile hydroxyl protecting groups;

R_{25} is an acid stable hydroxyl protecting group; and

R_{16} is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and C_1-C_6 alkyl; H or C_1-C_6 alkyl.

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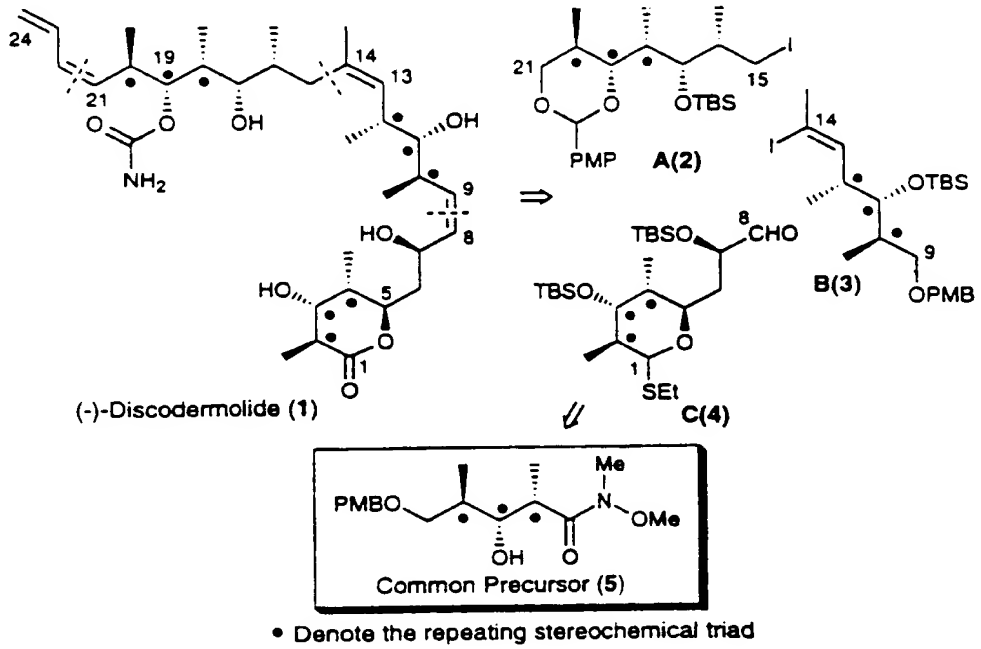

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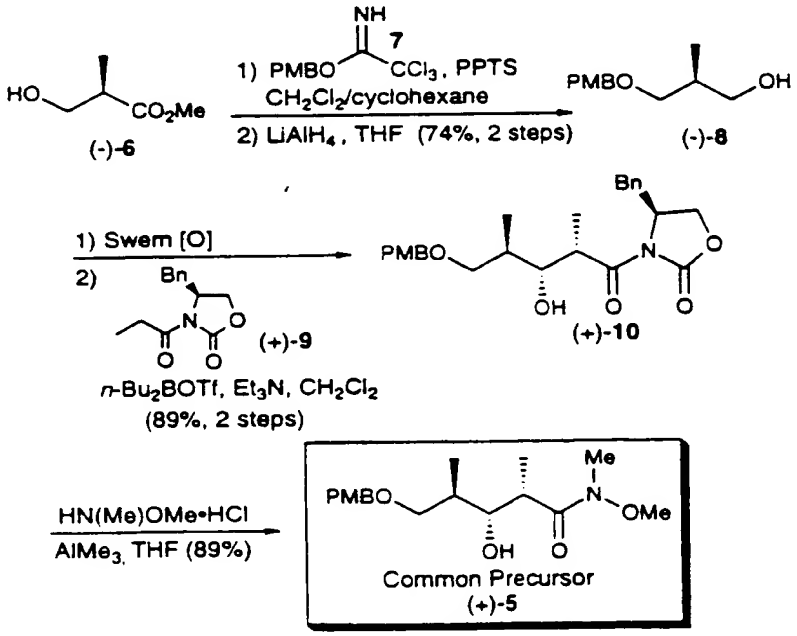

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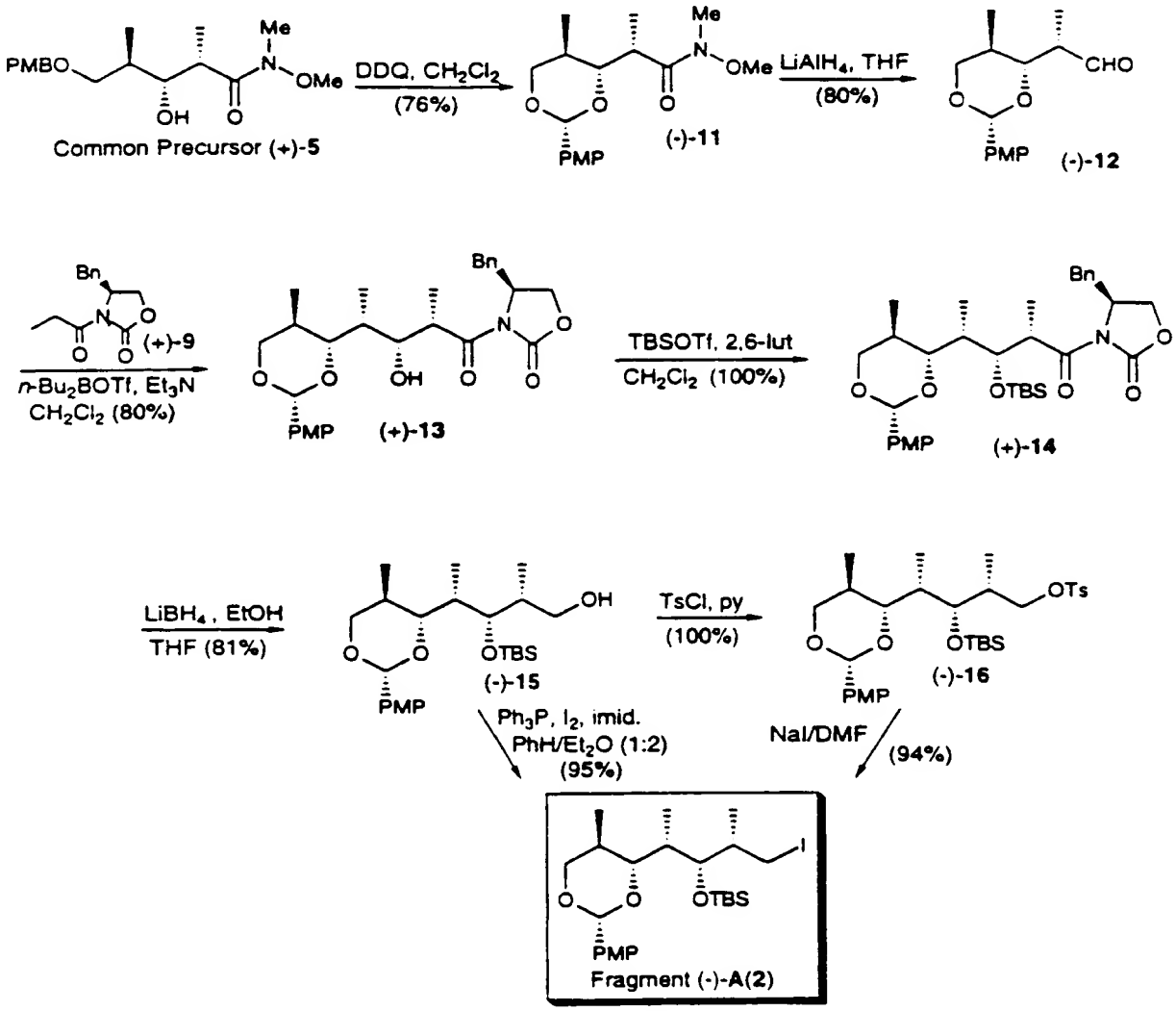

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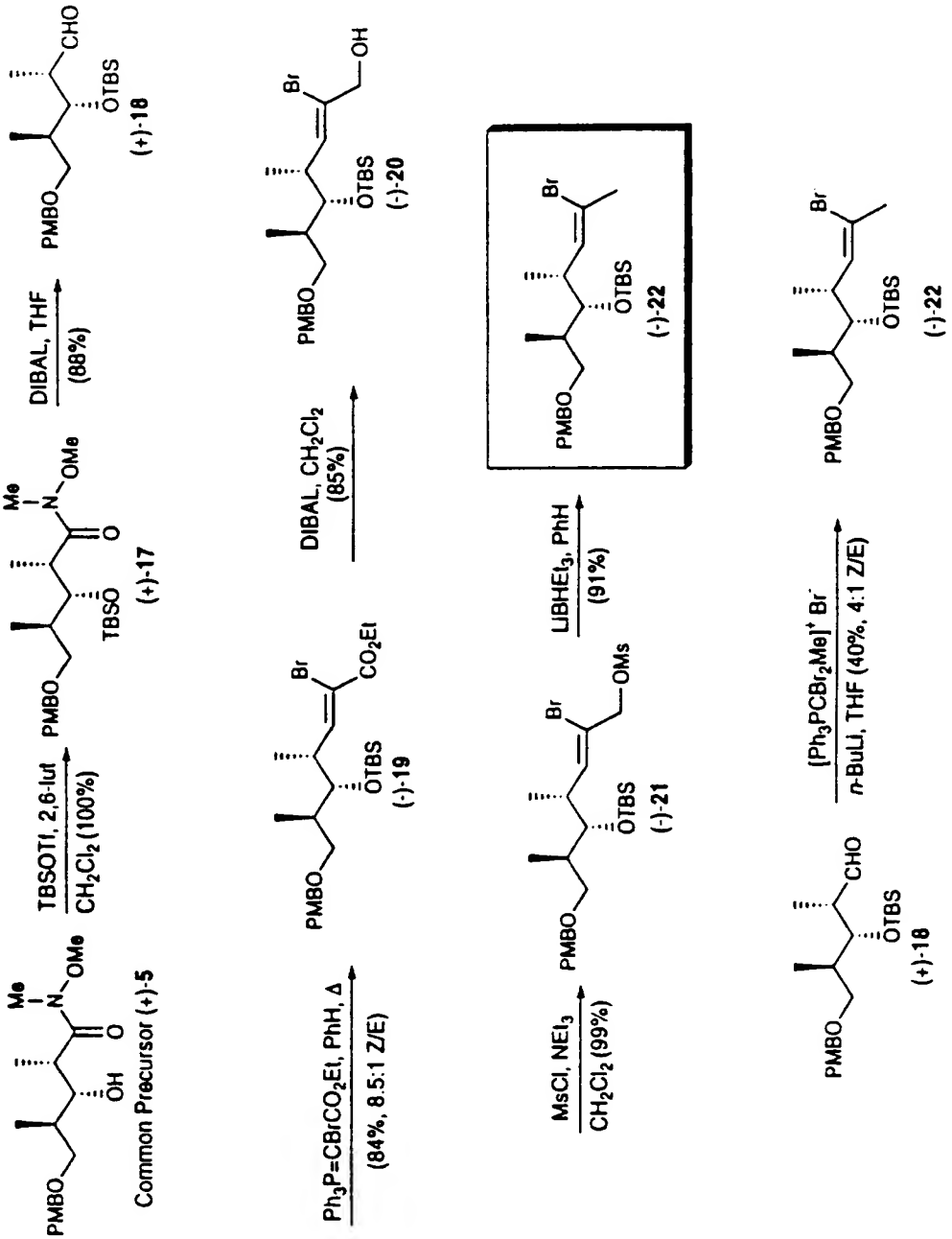

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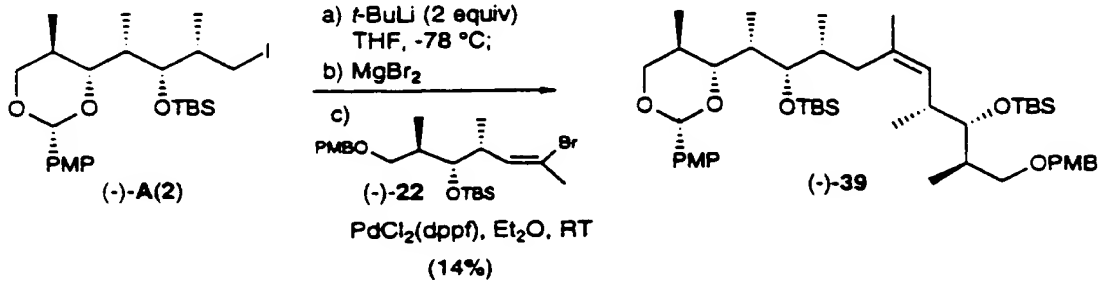

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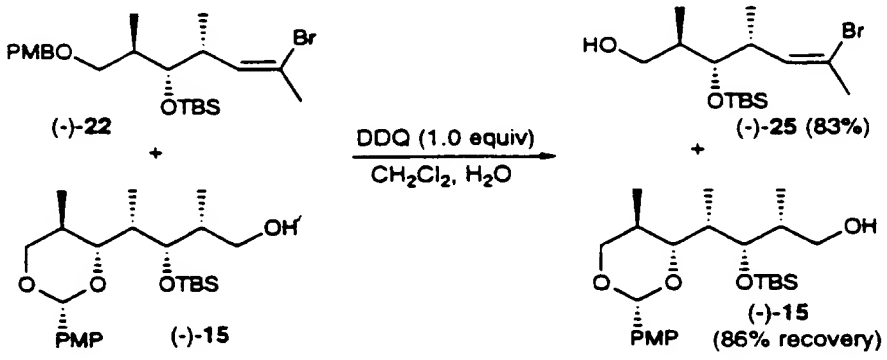

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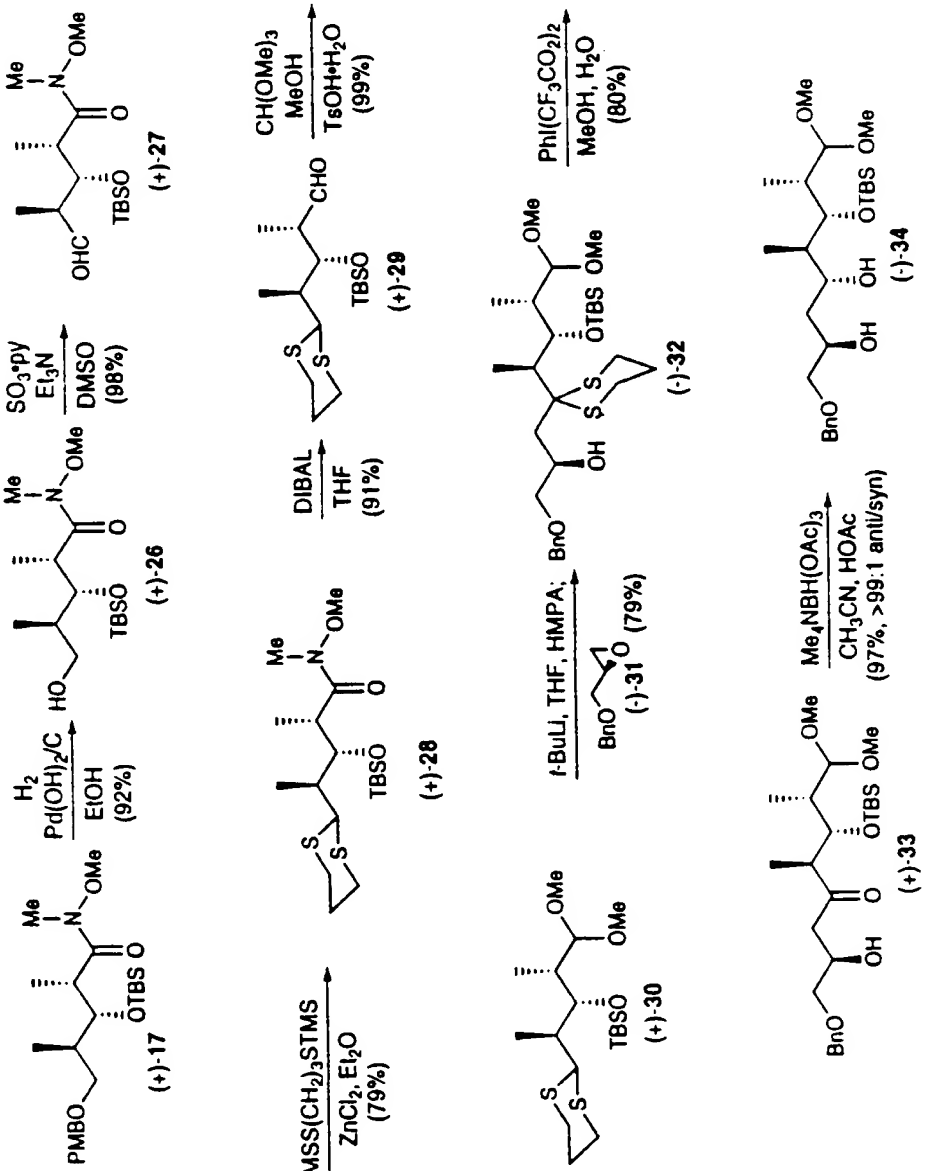

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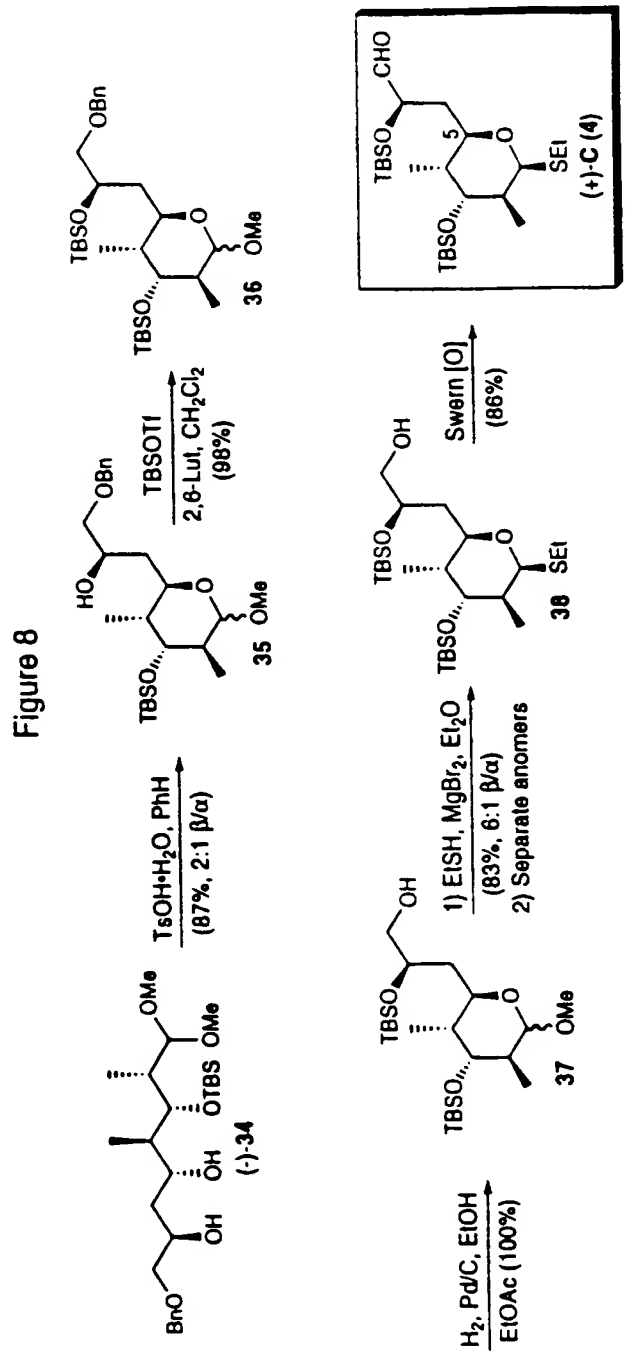

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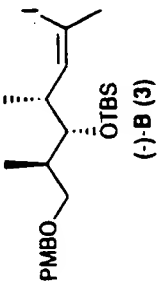

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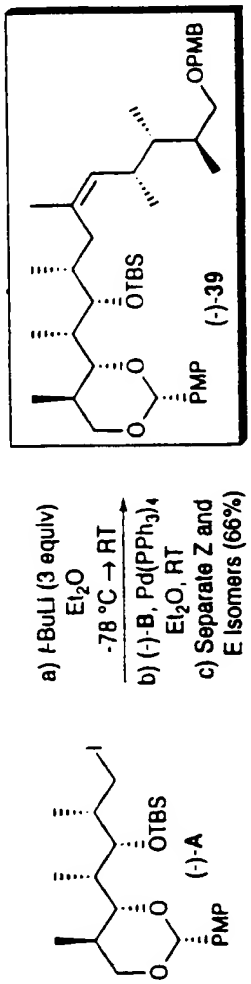

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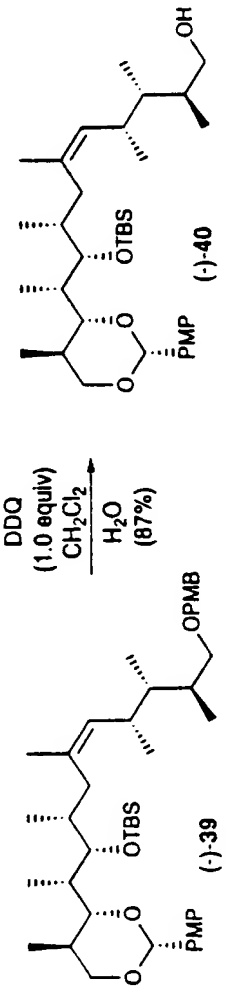

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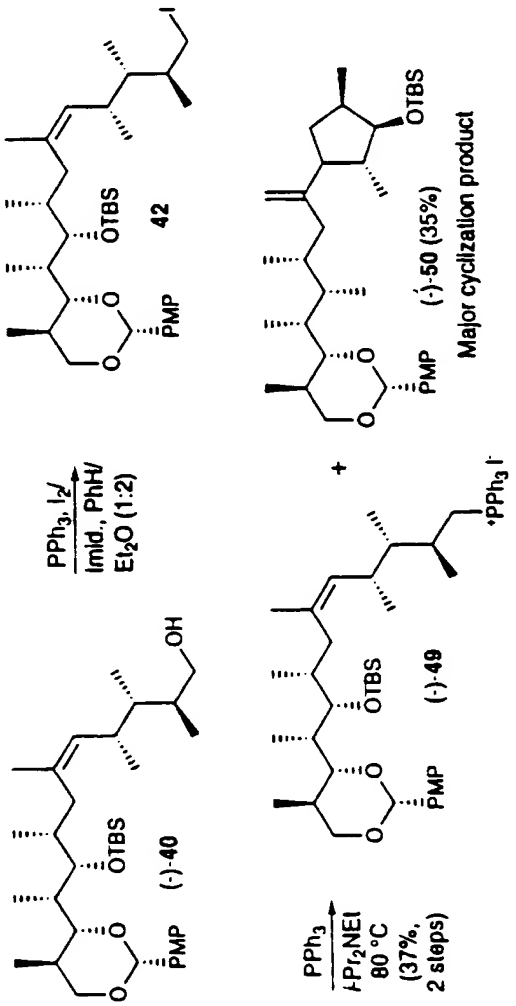

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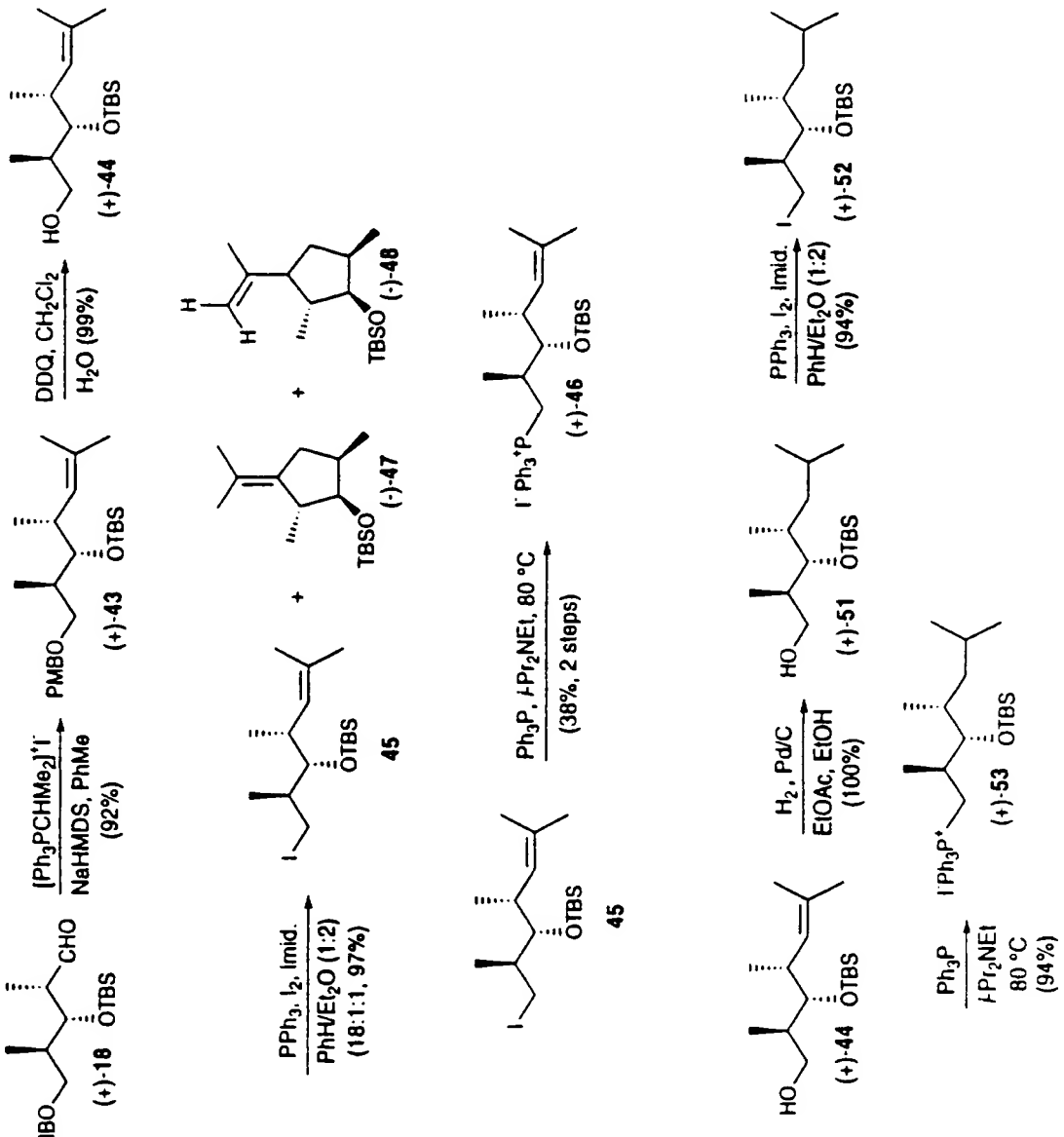

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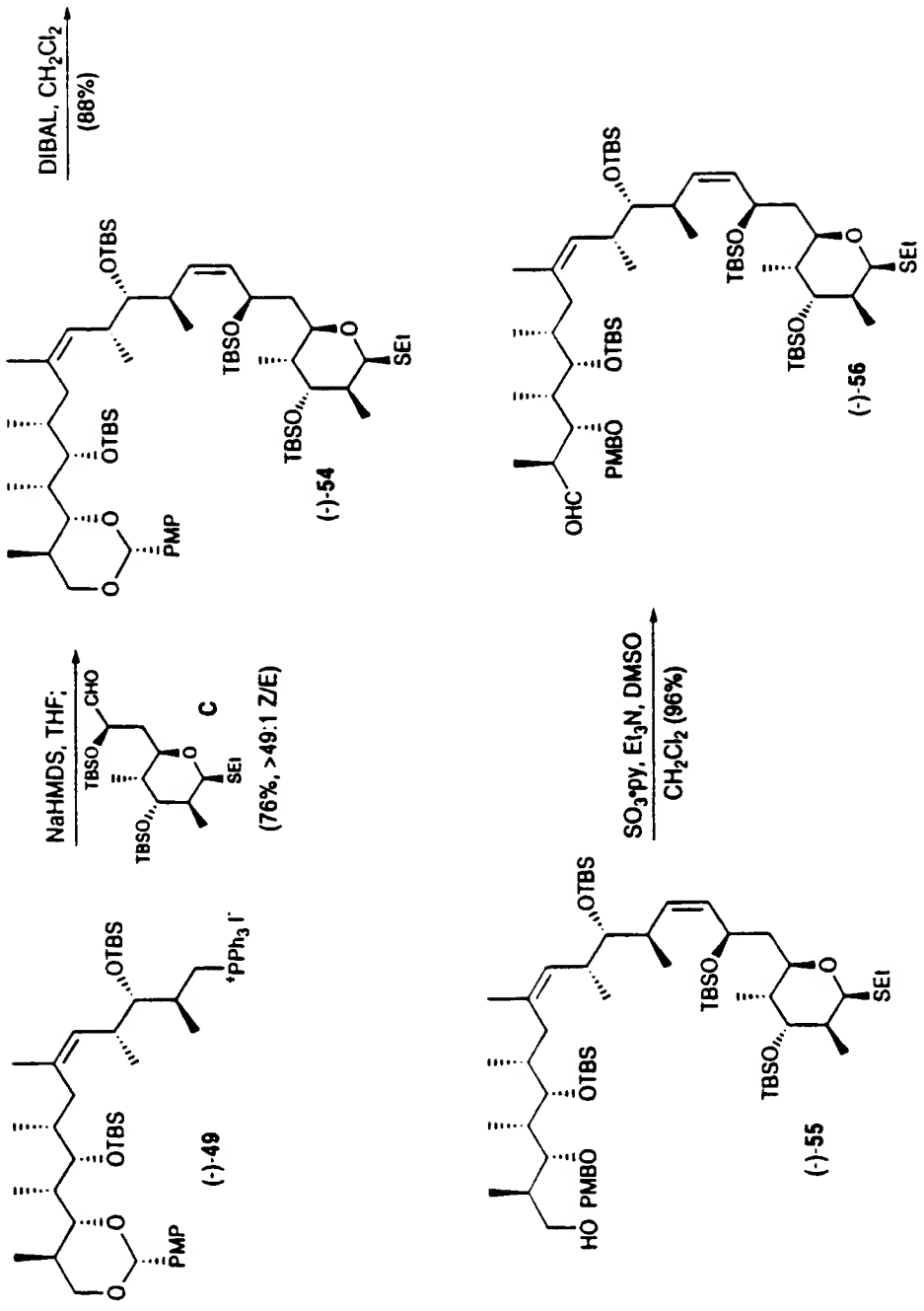

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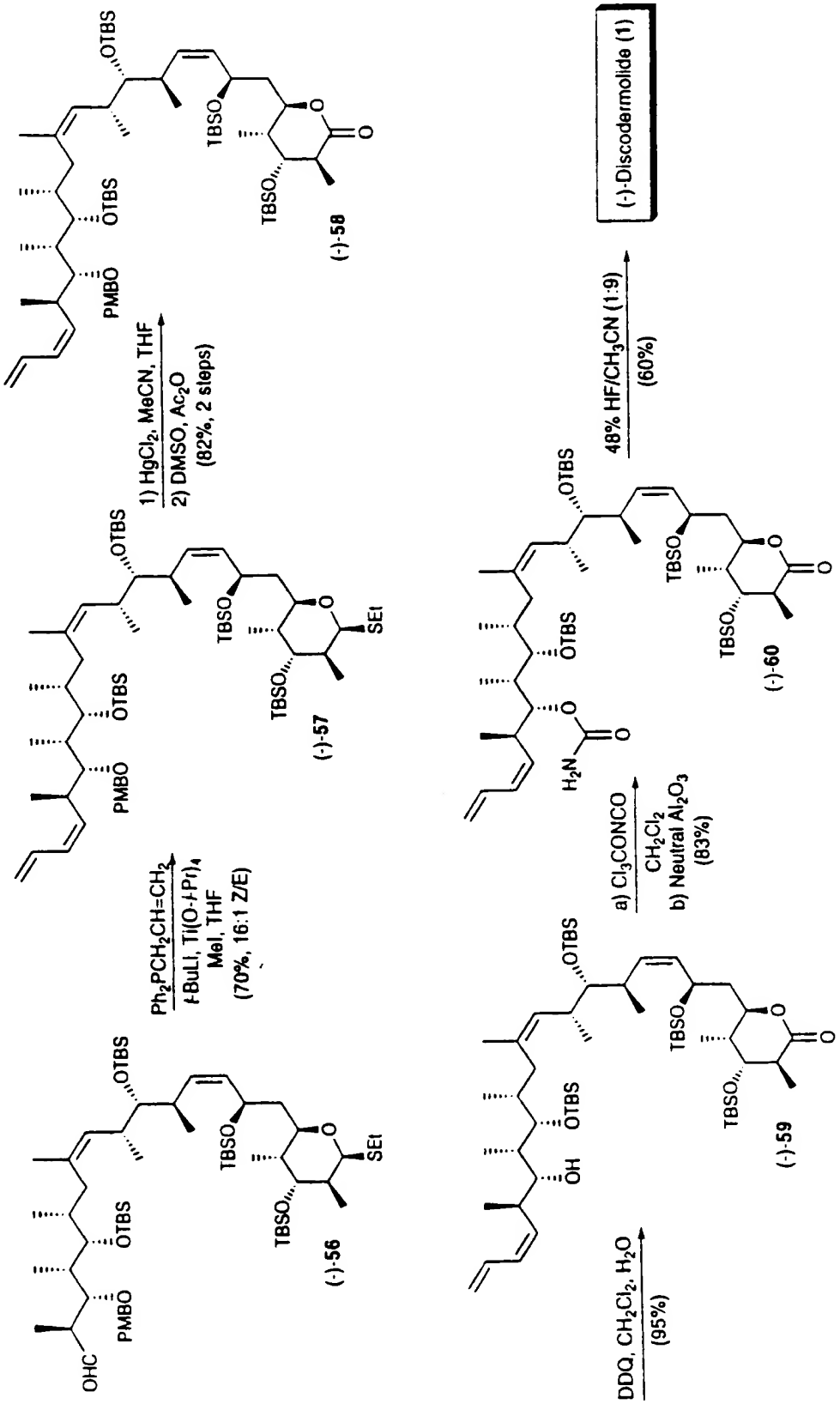

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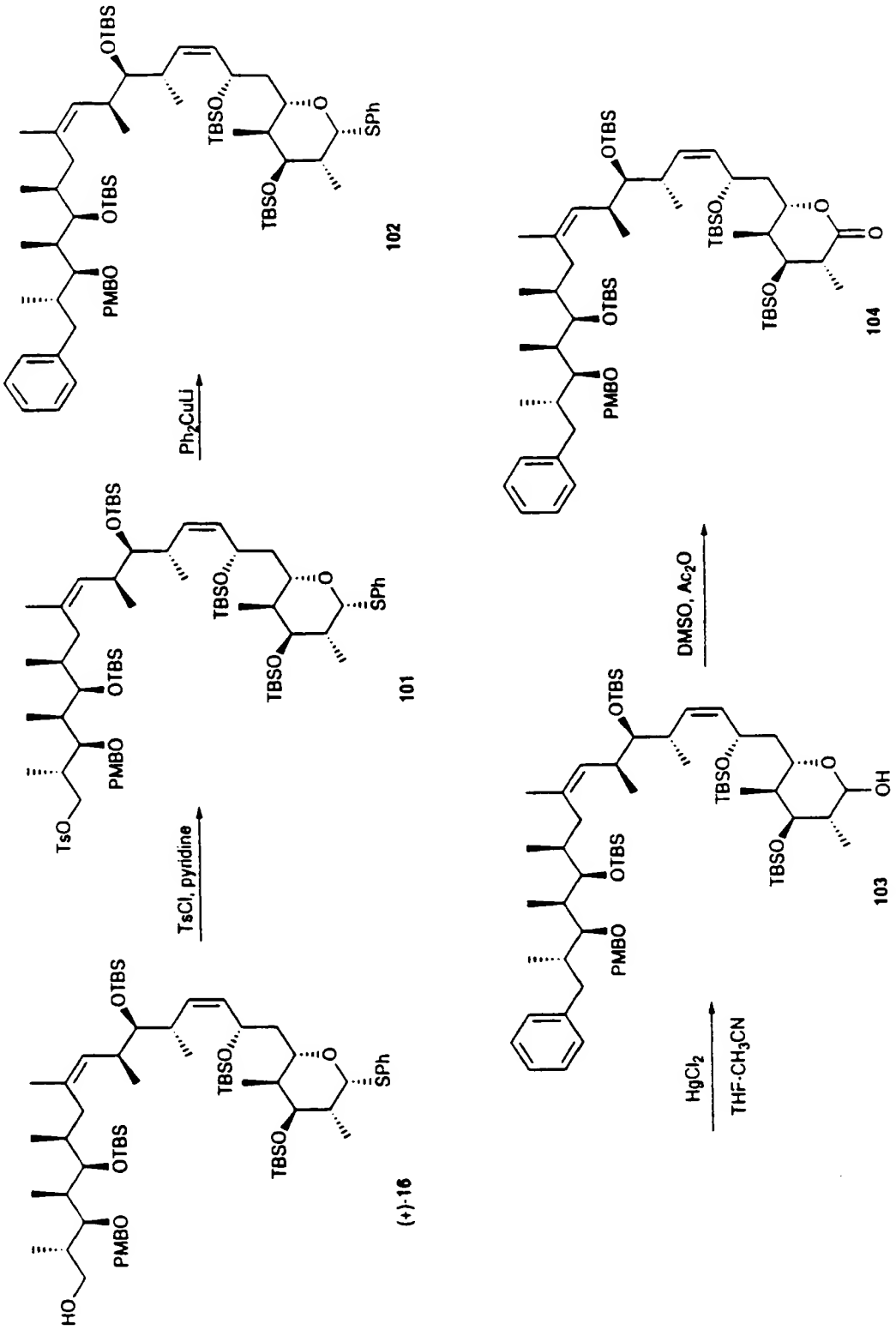

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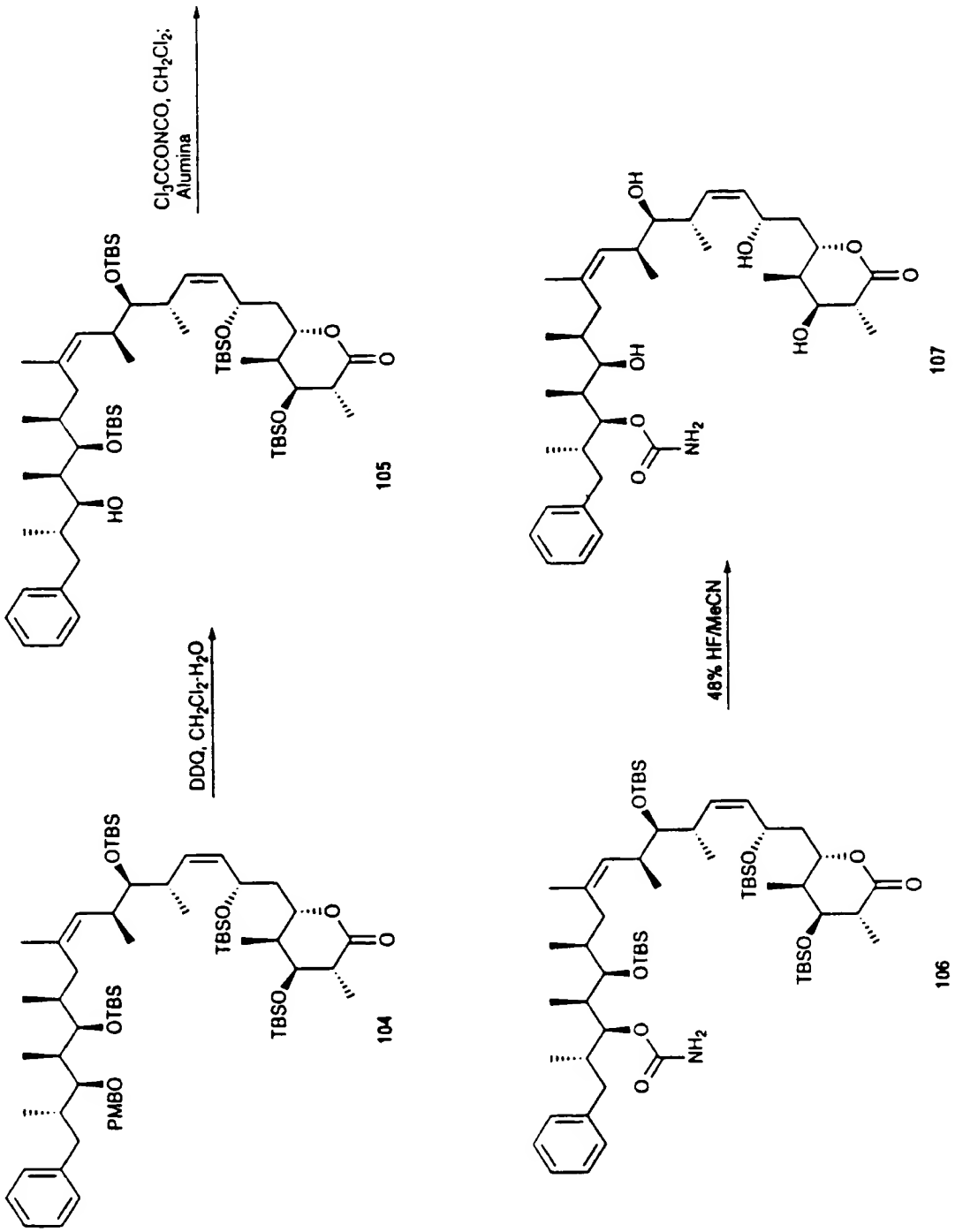

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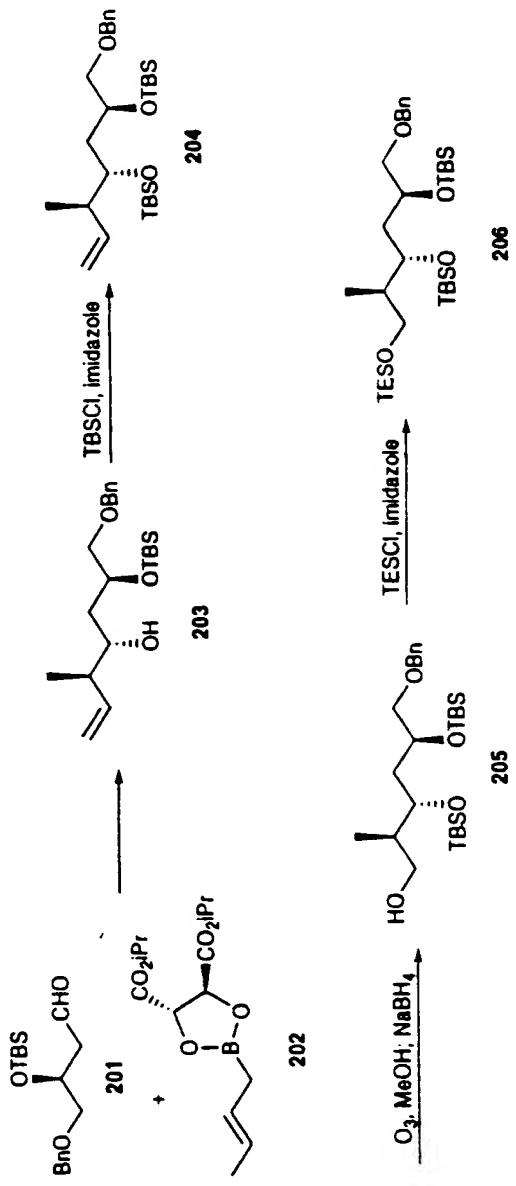

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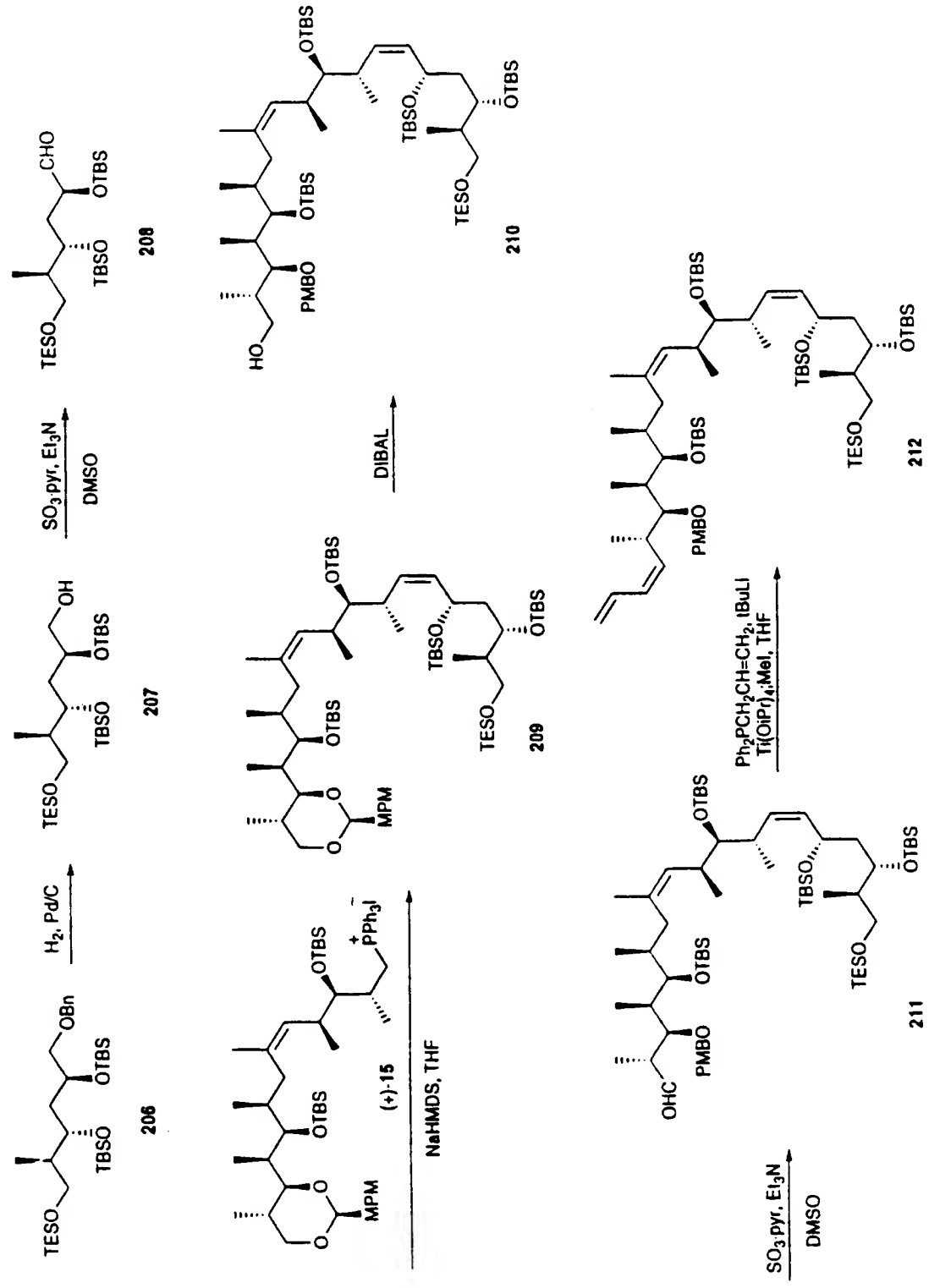

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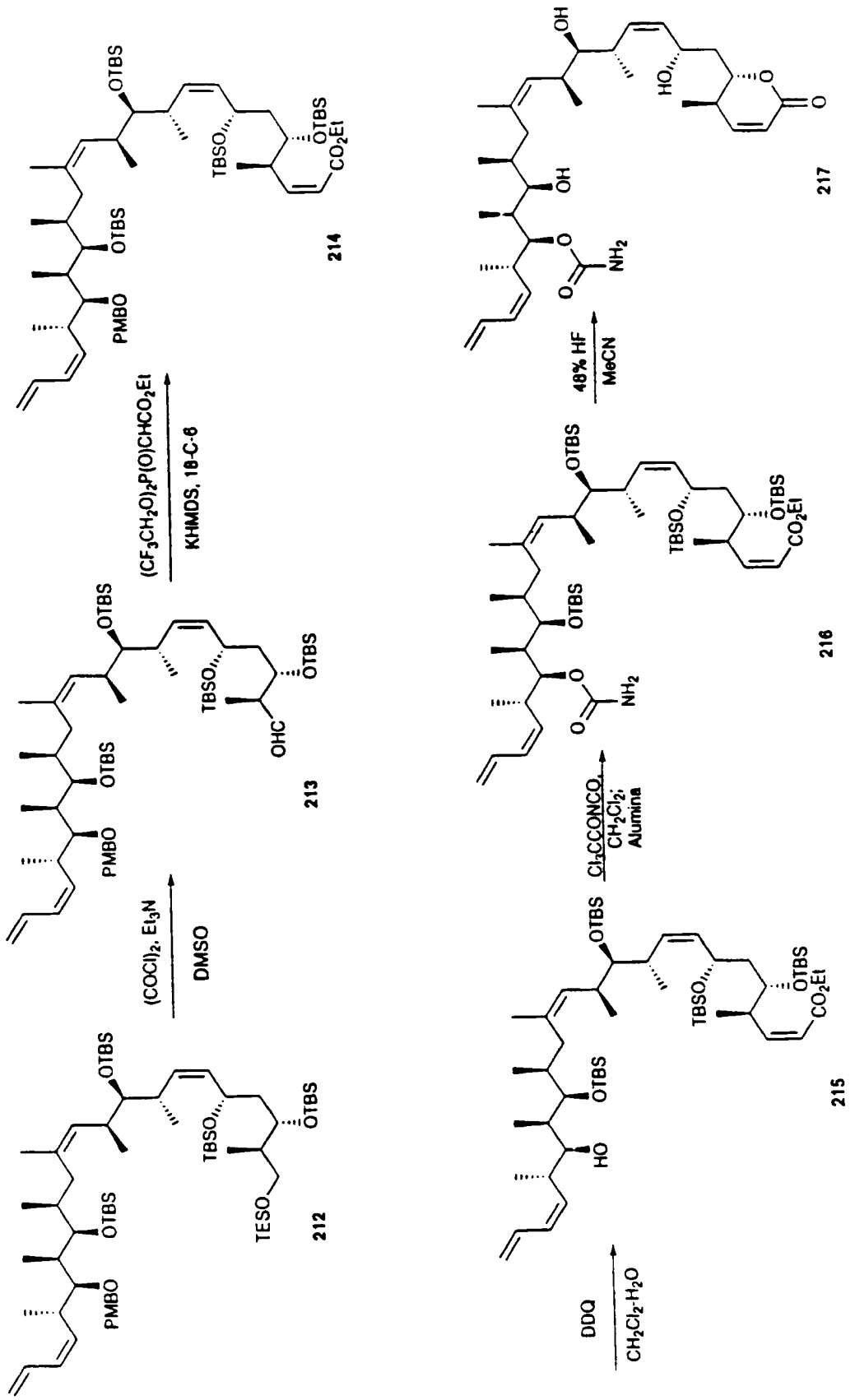

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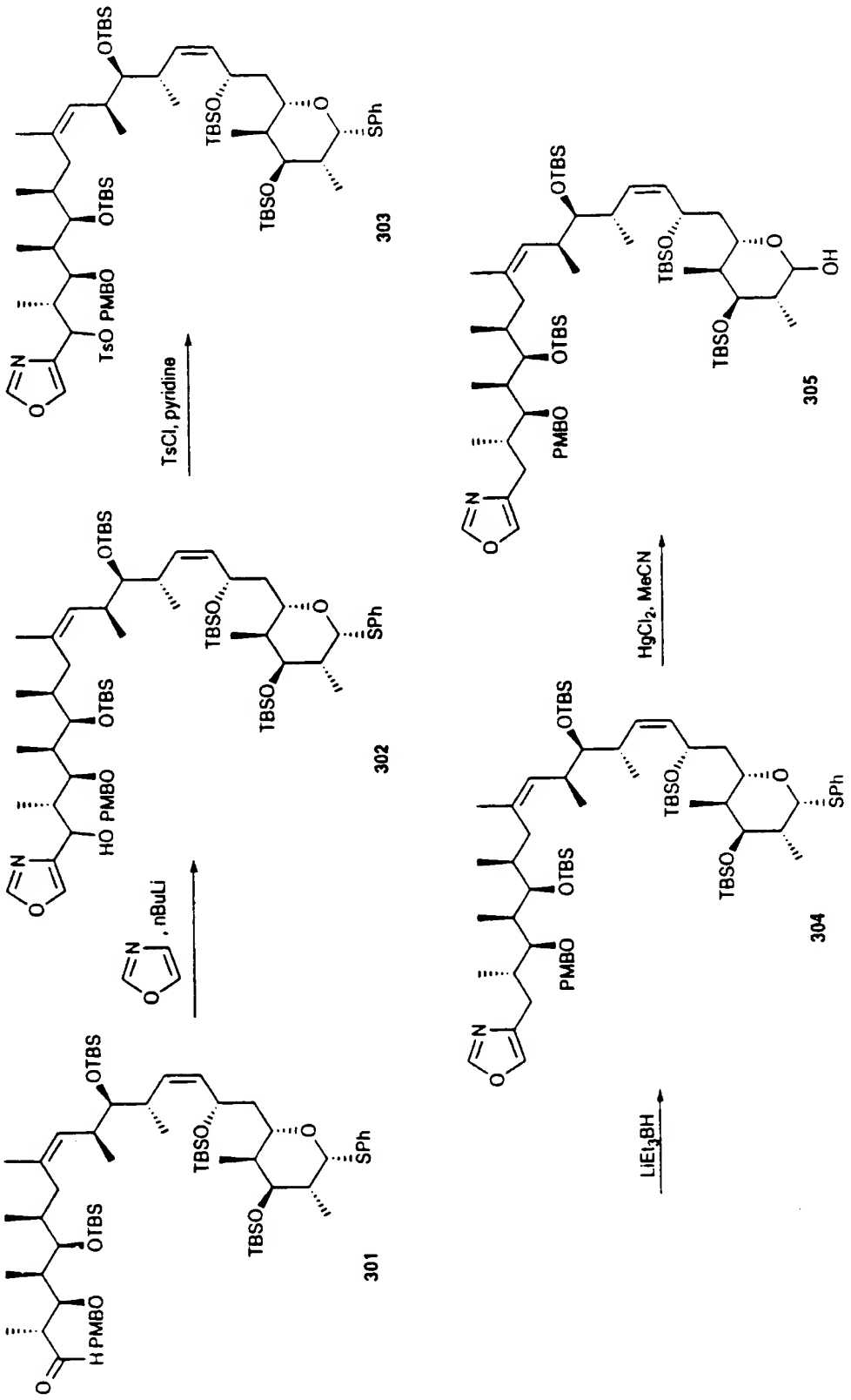

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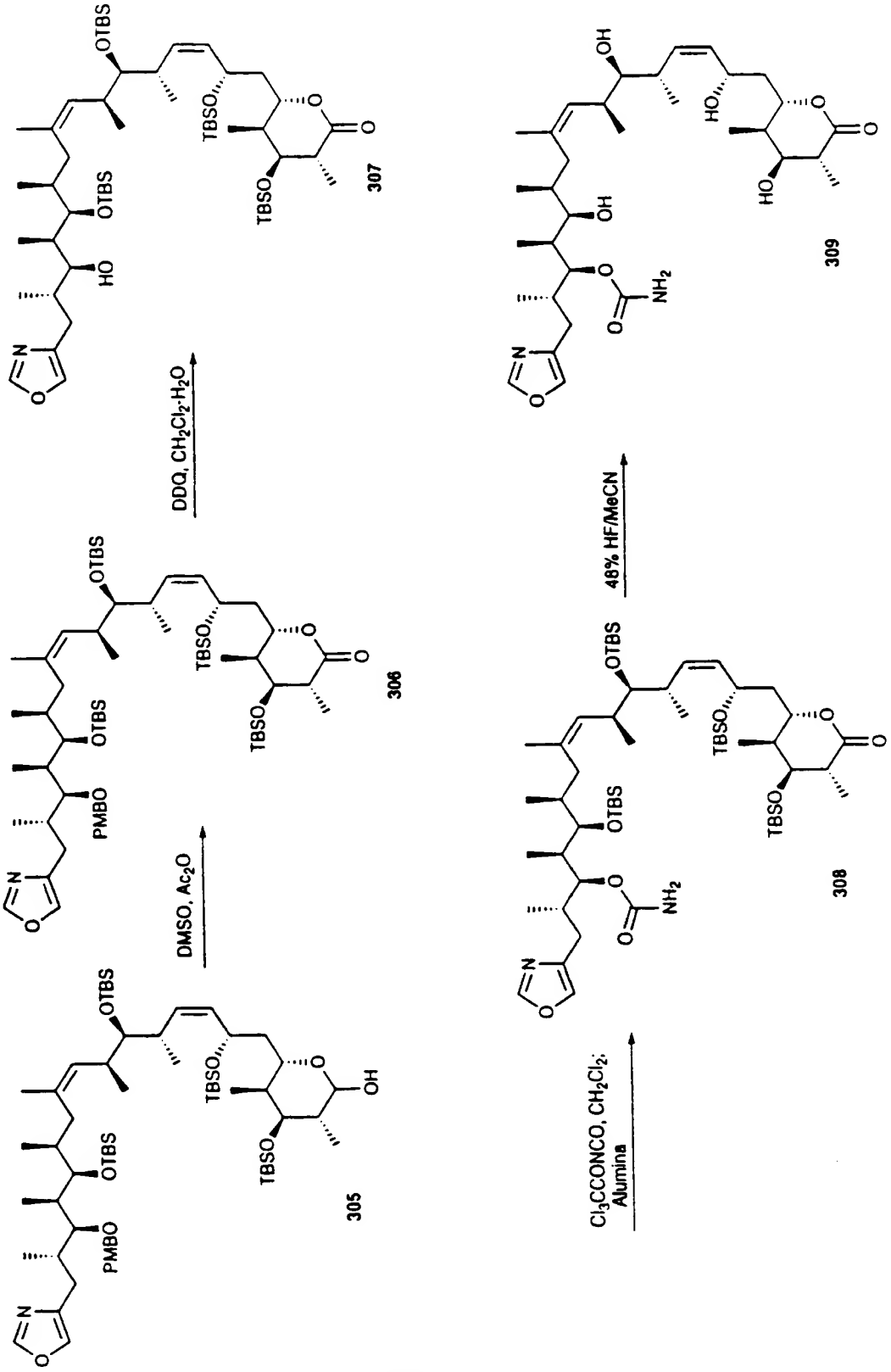

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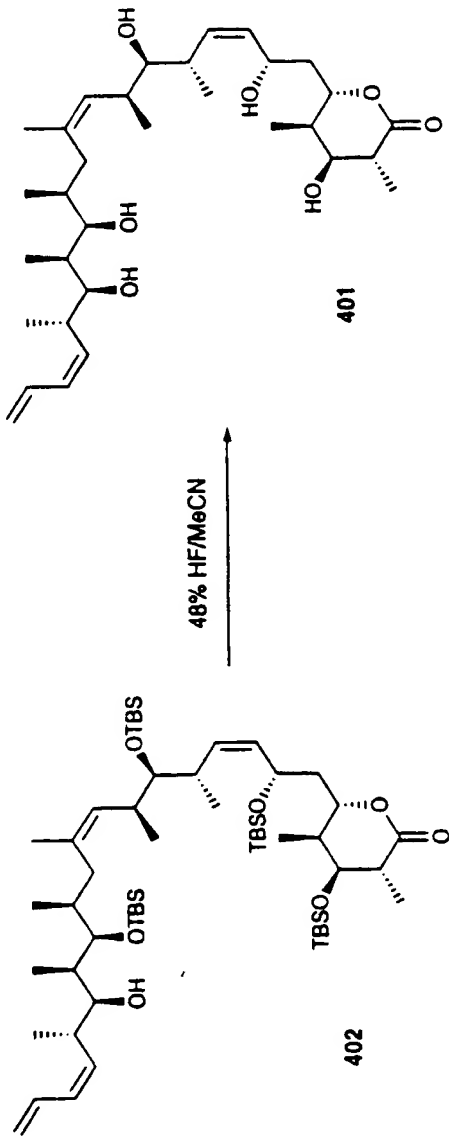

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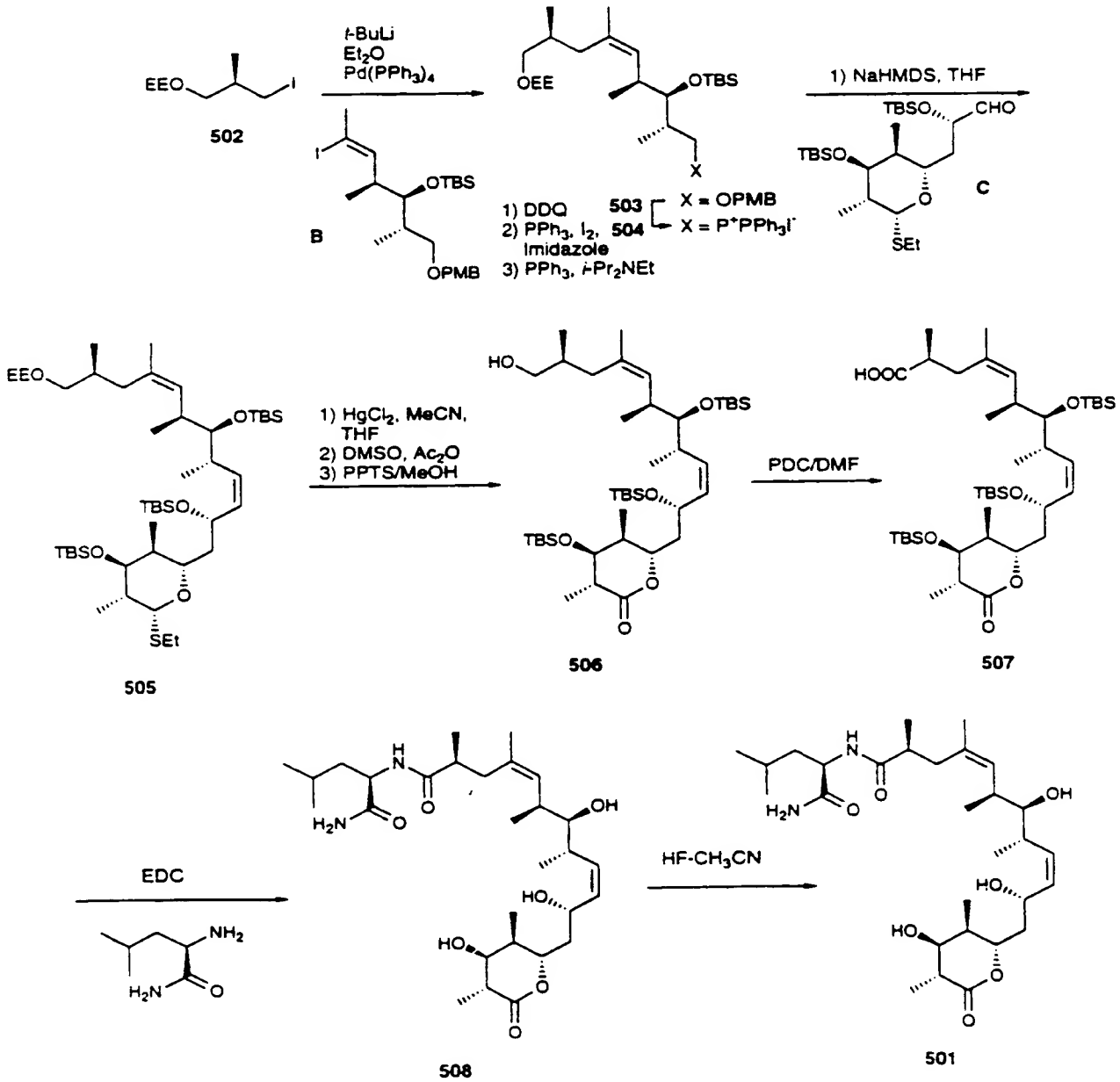

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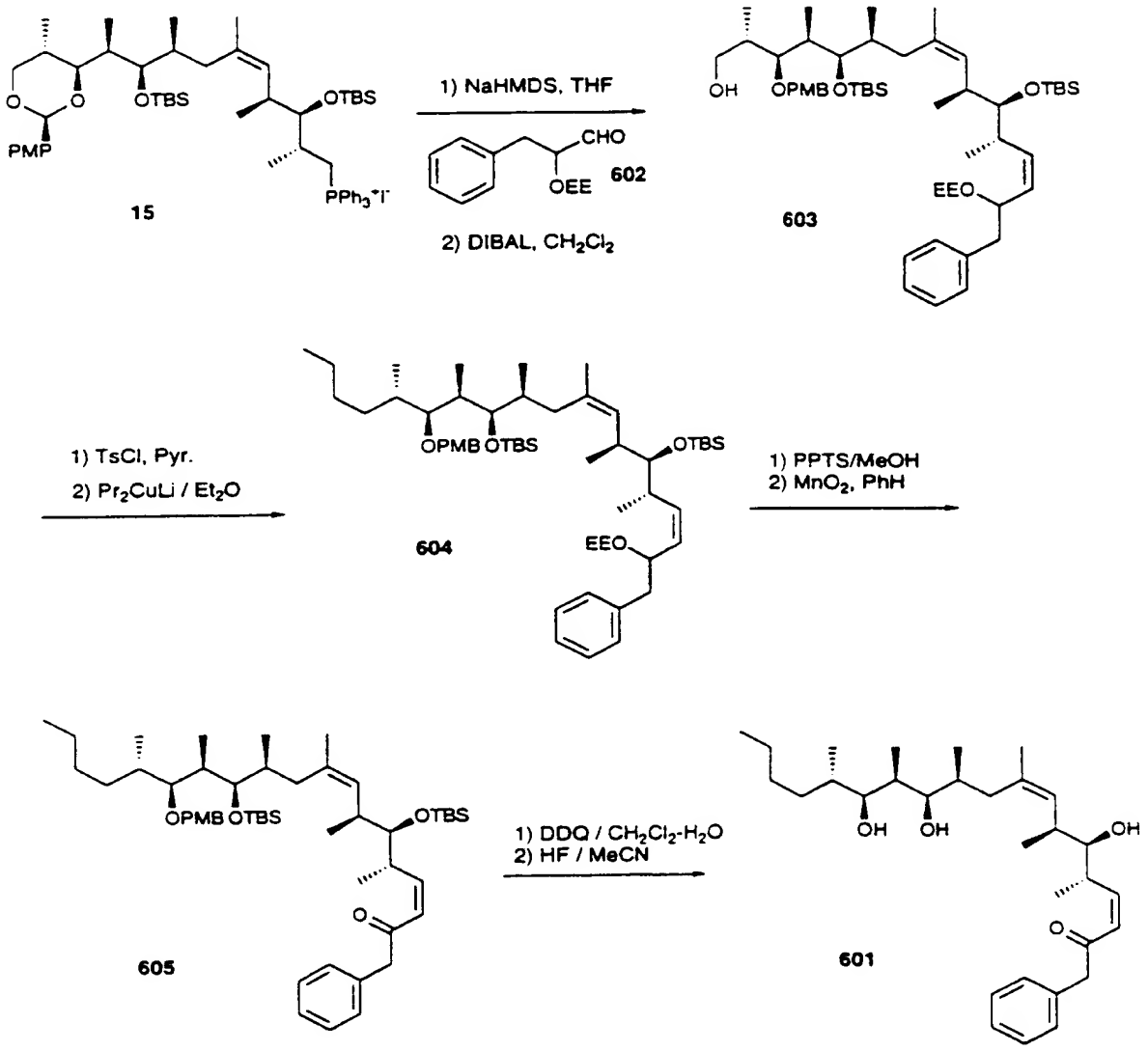

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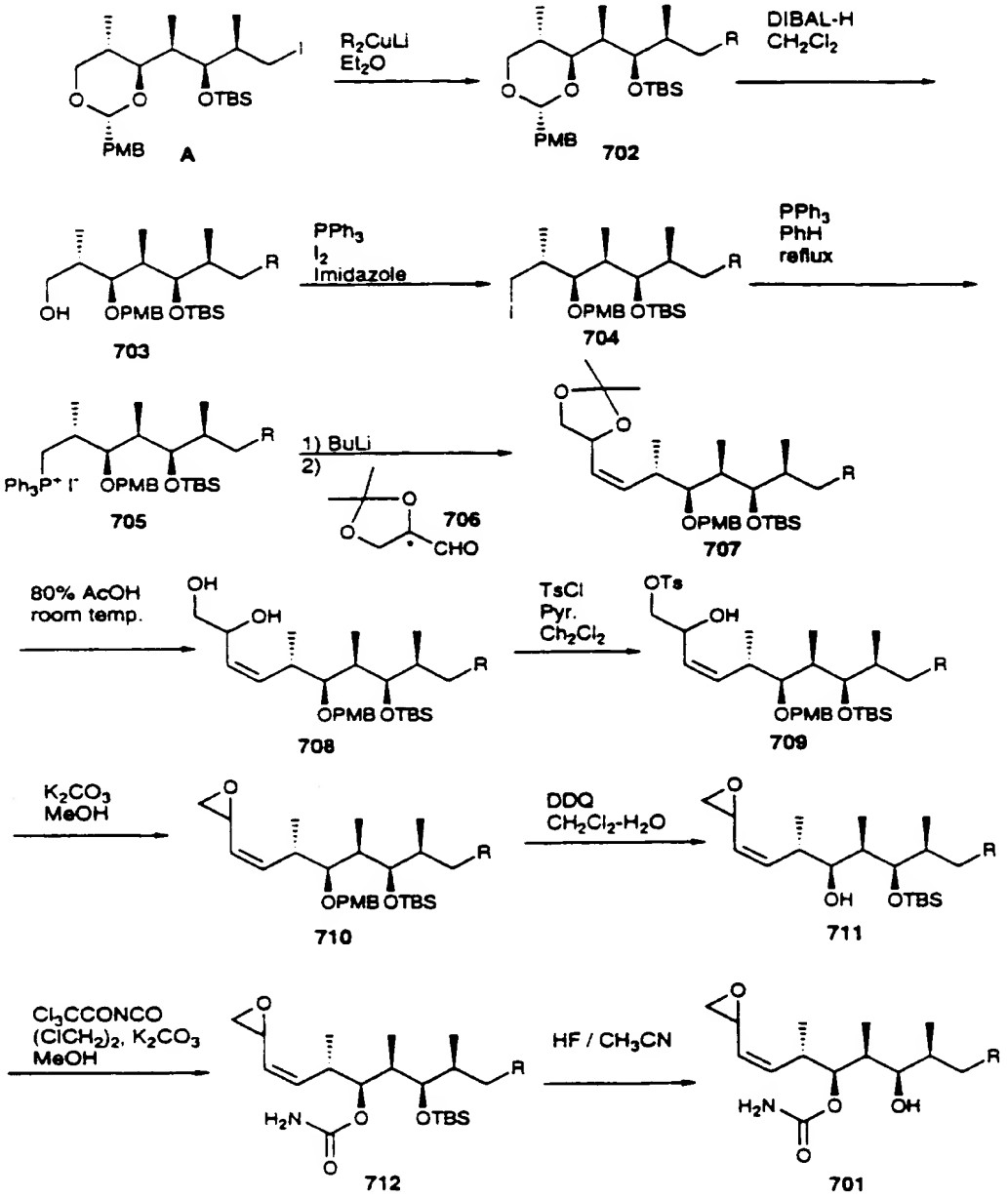

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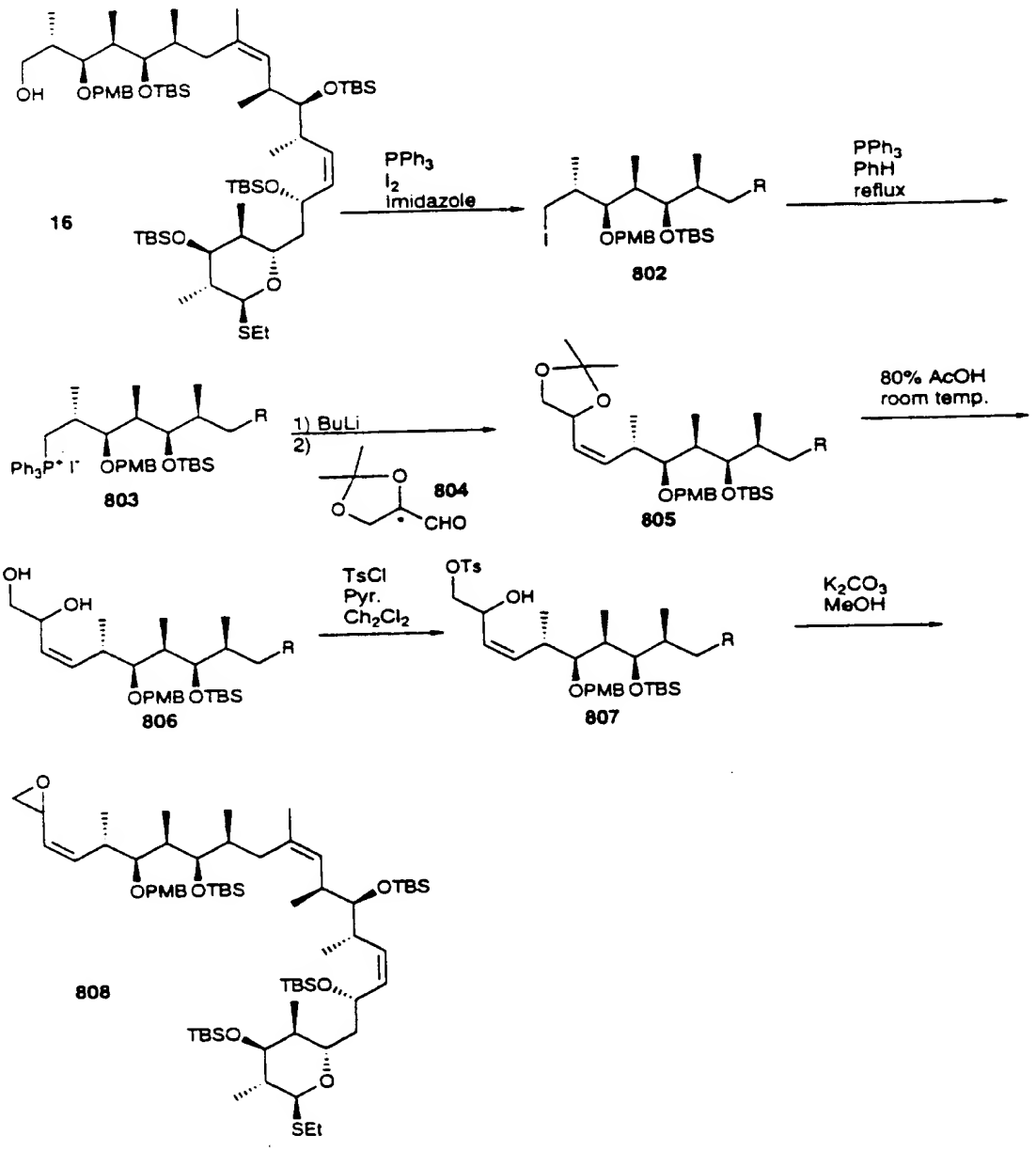

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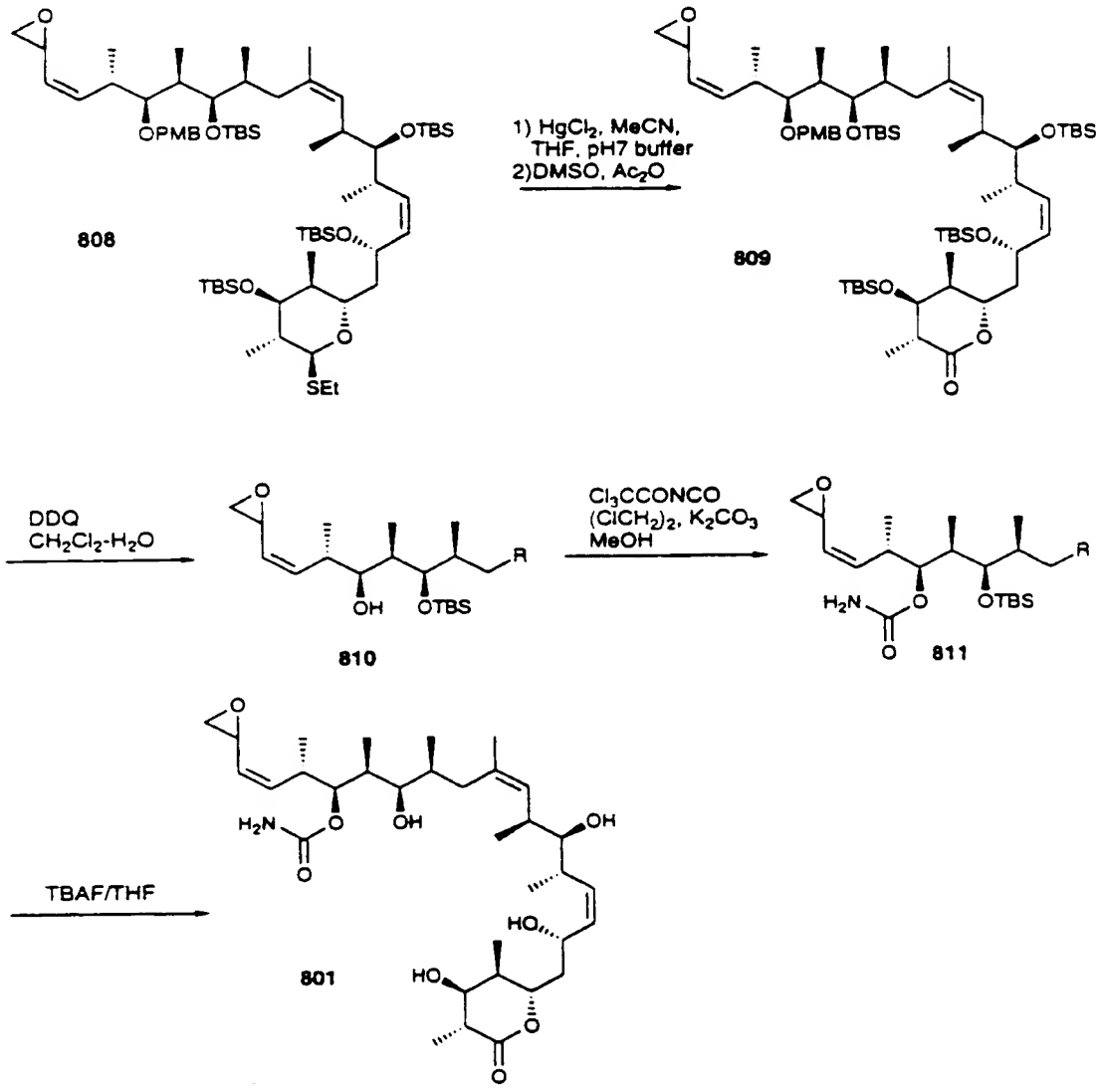

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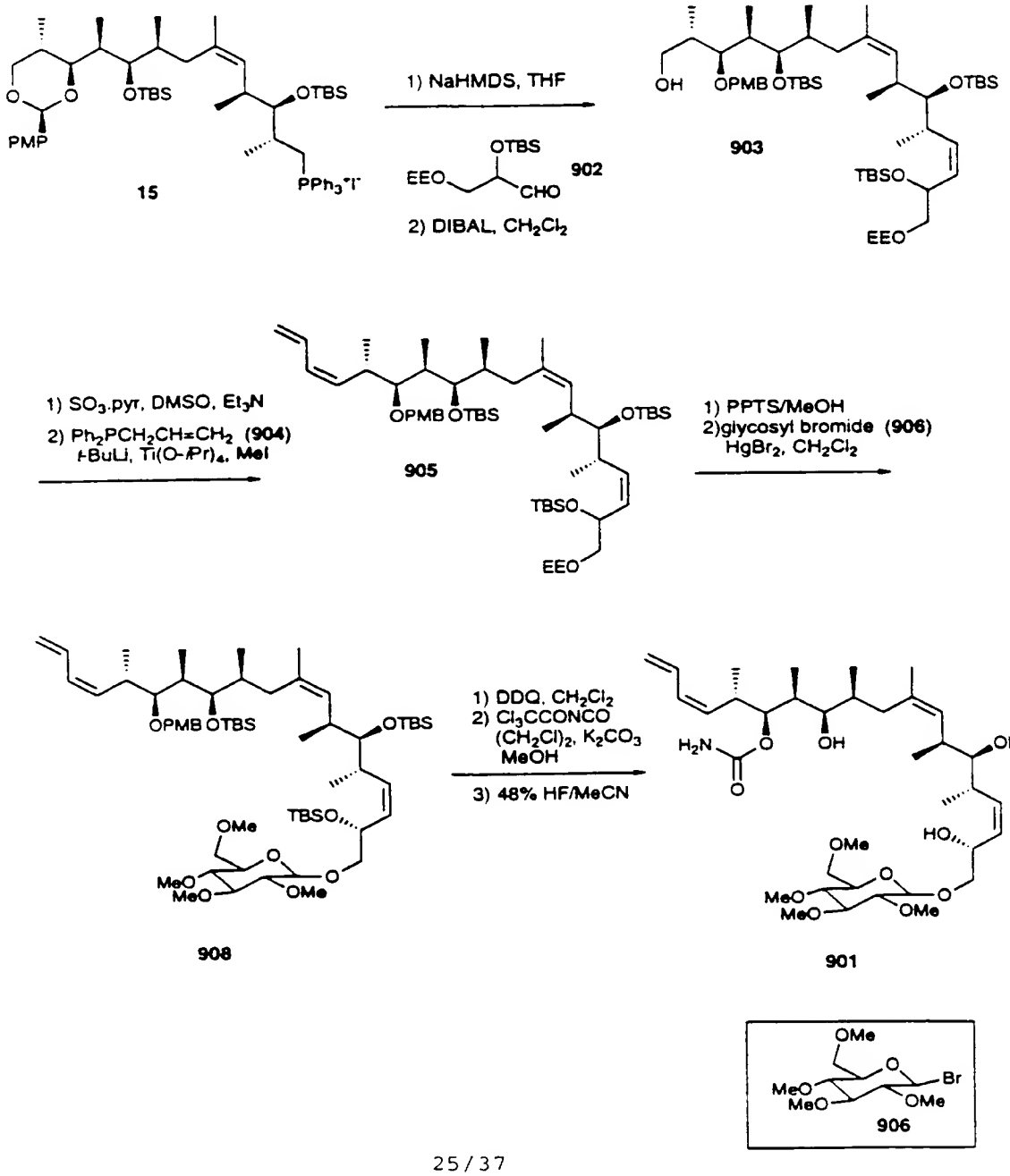

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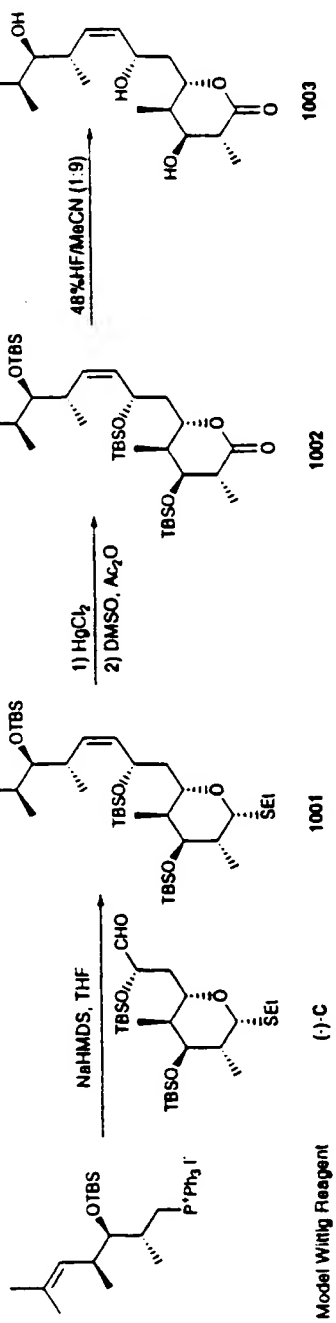

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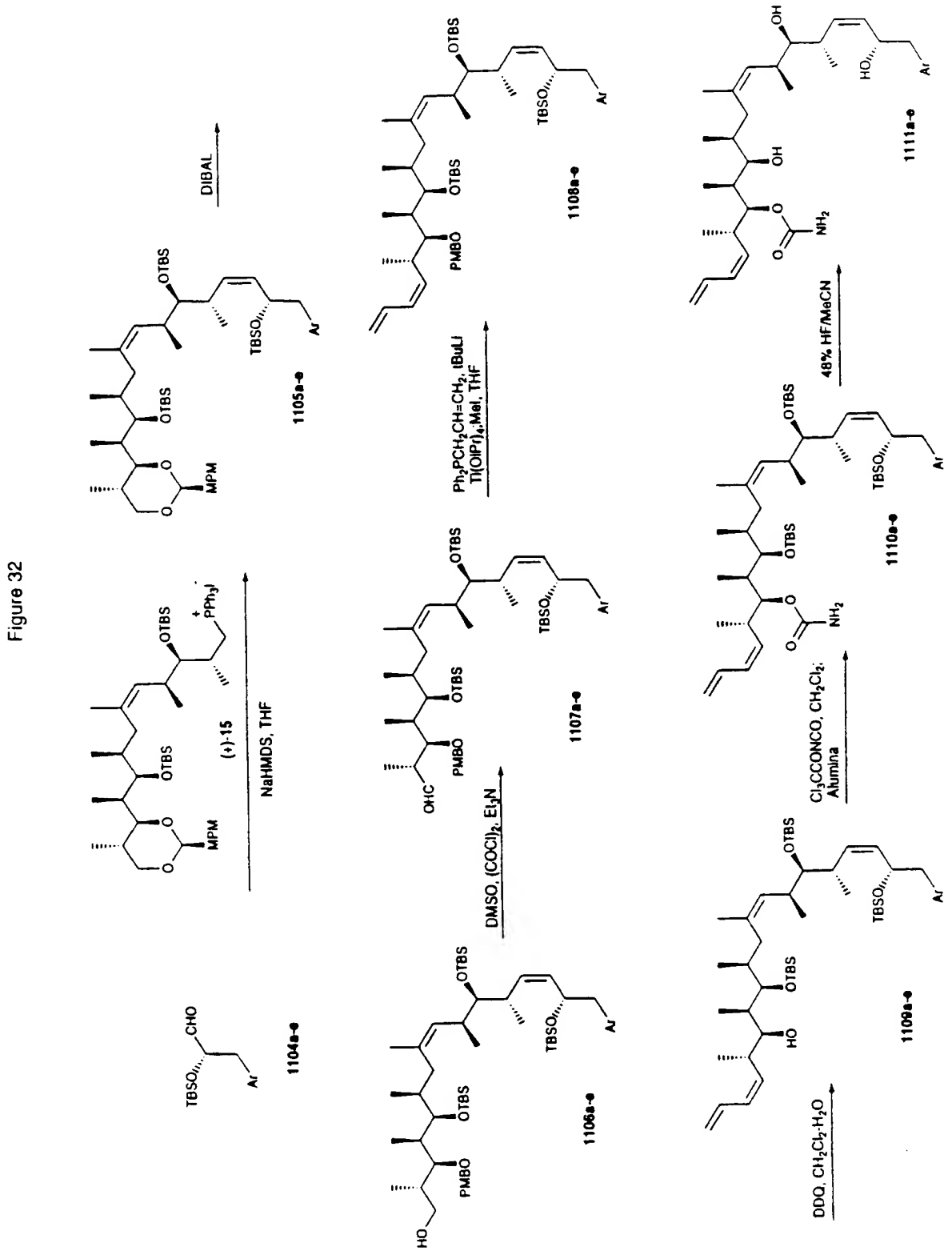

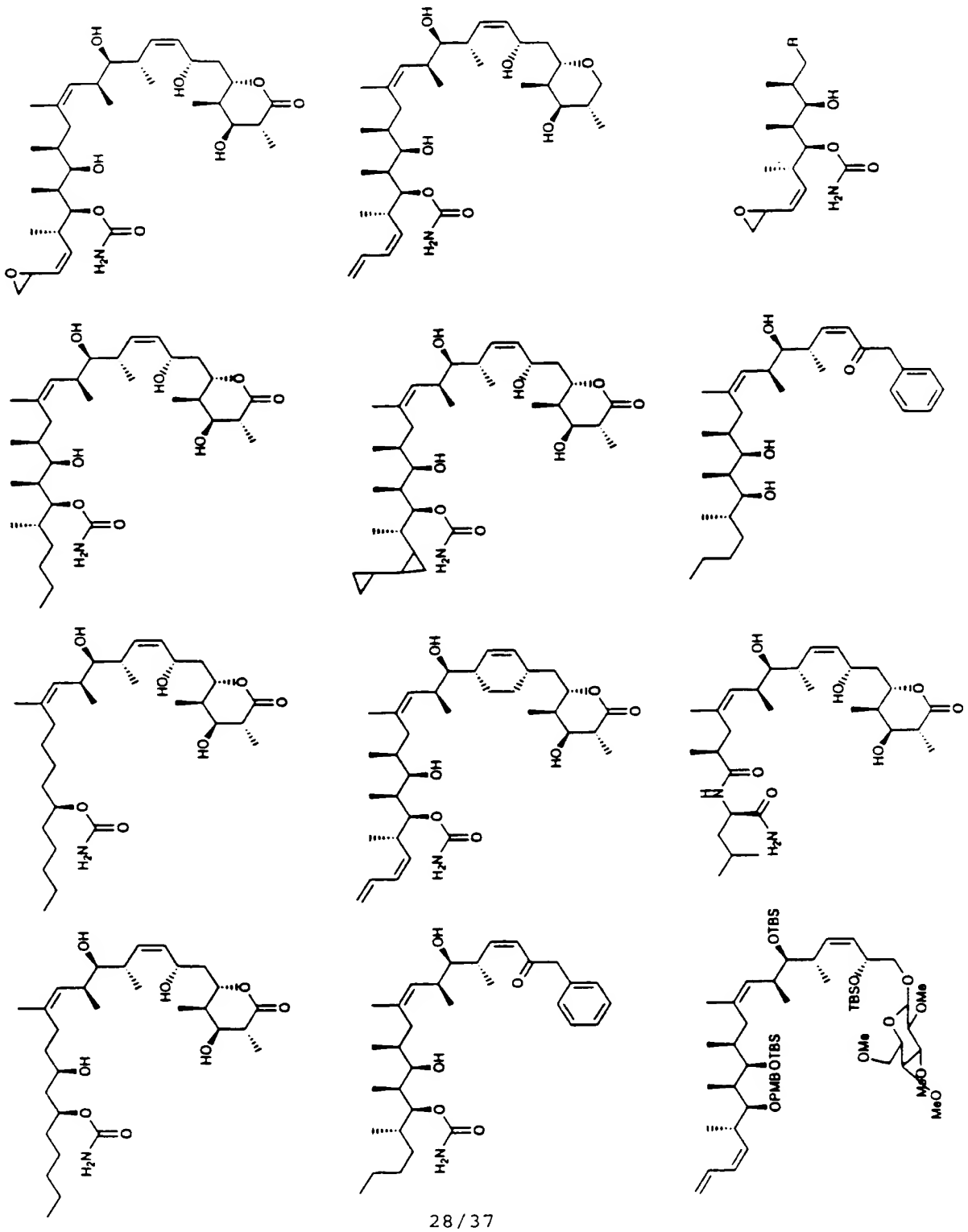

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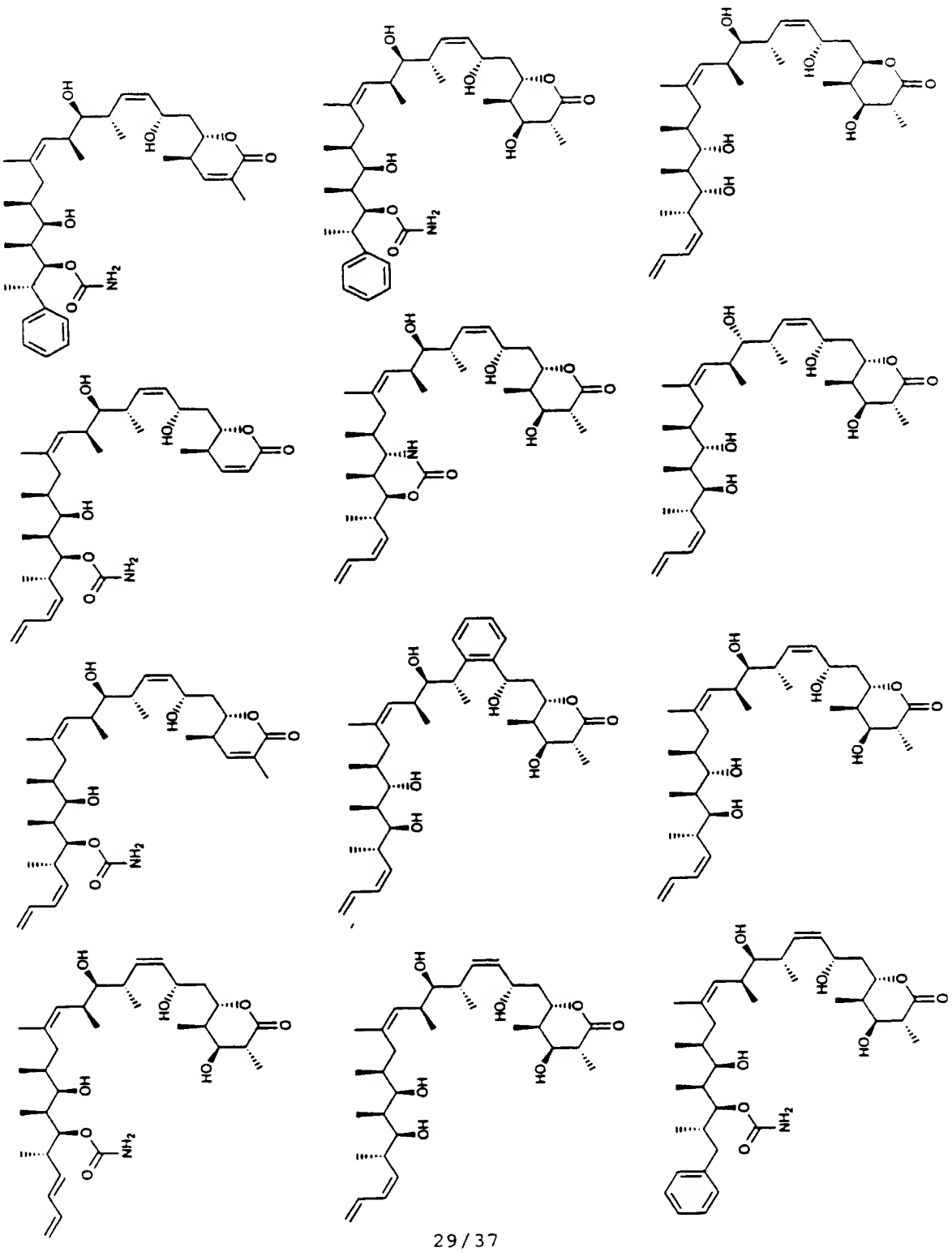

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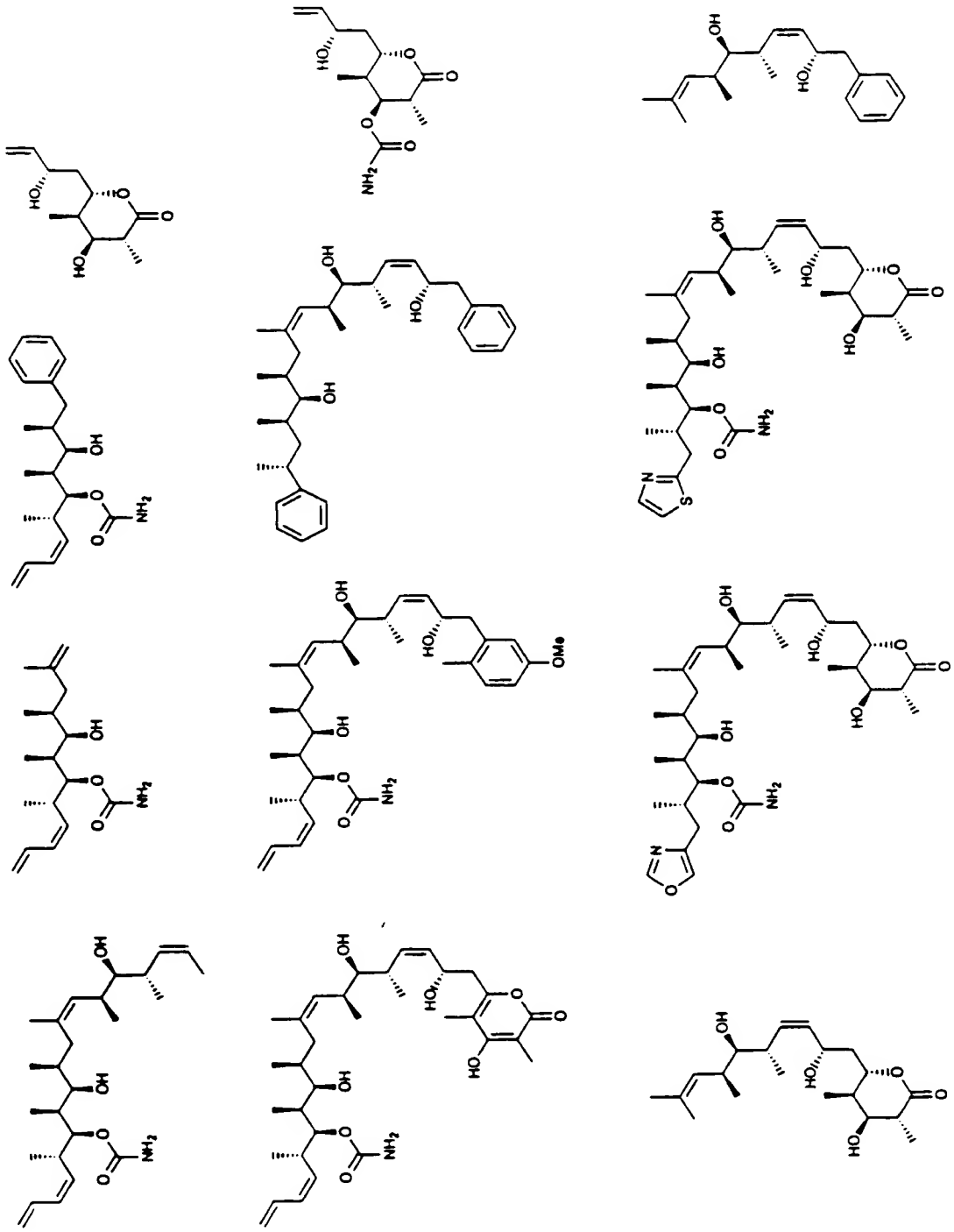

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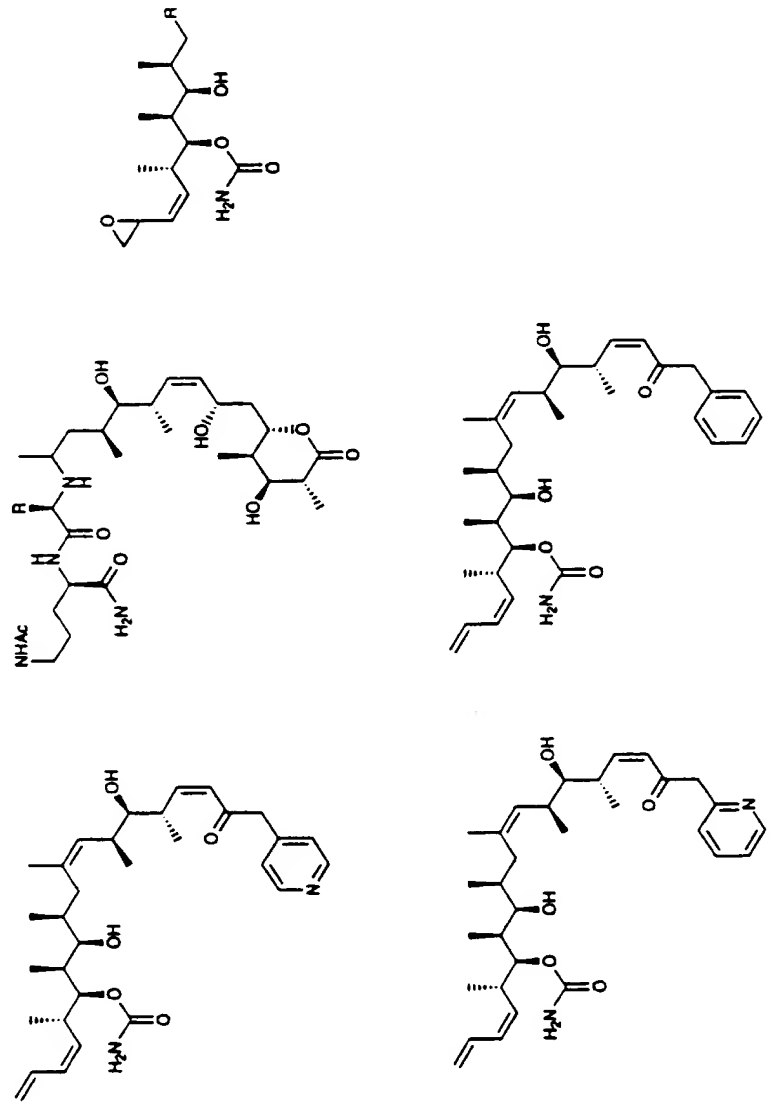

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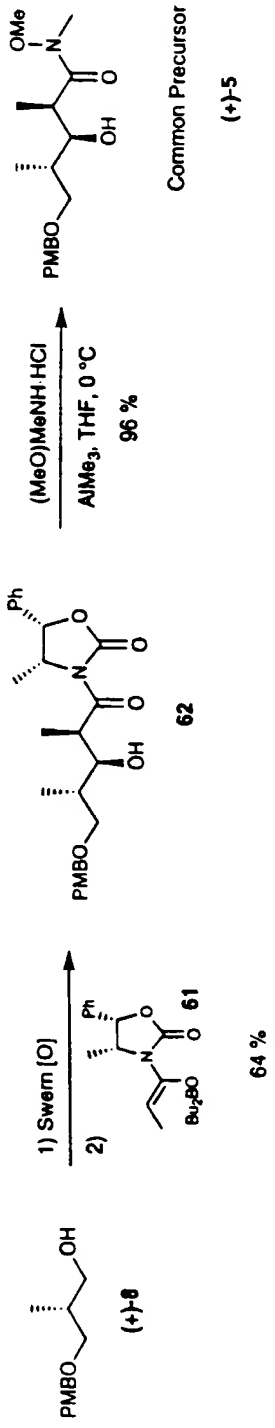

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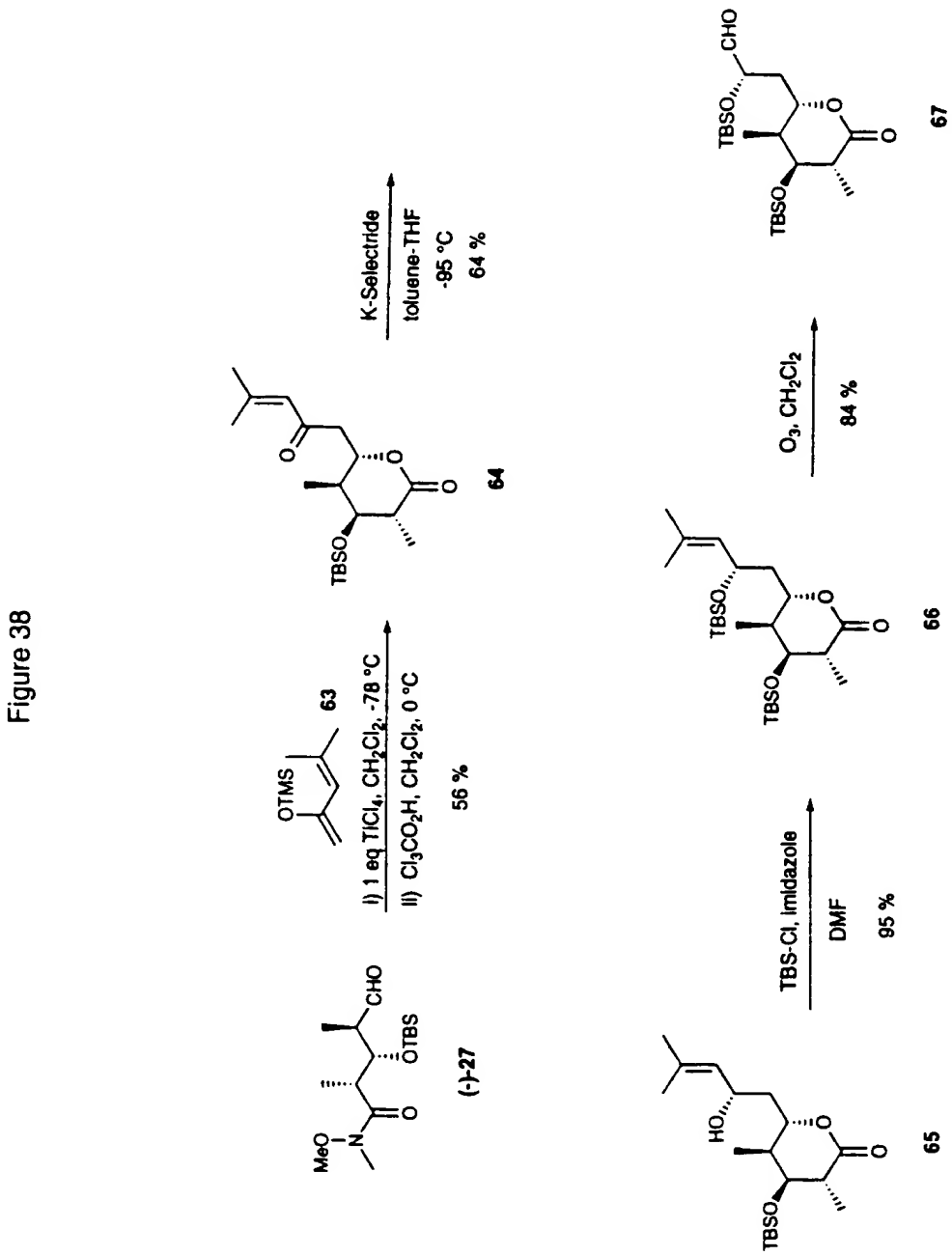

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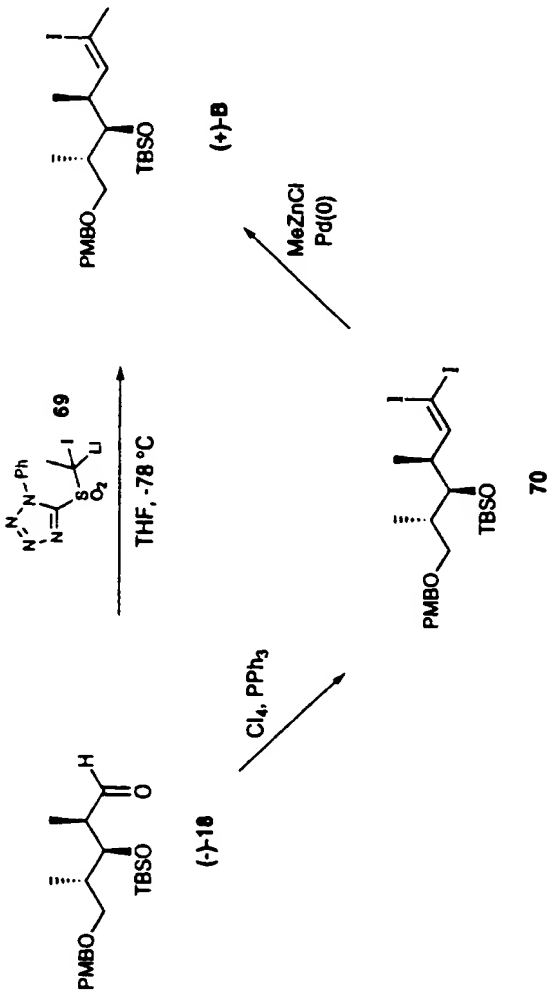

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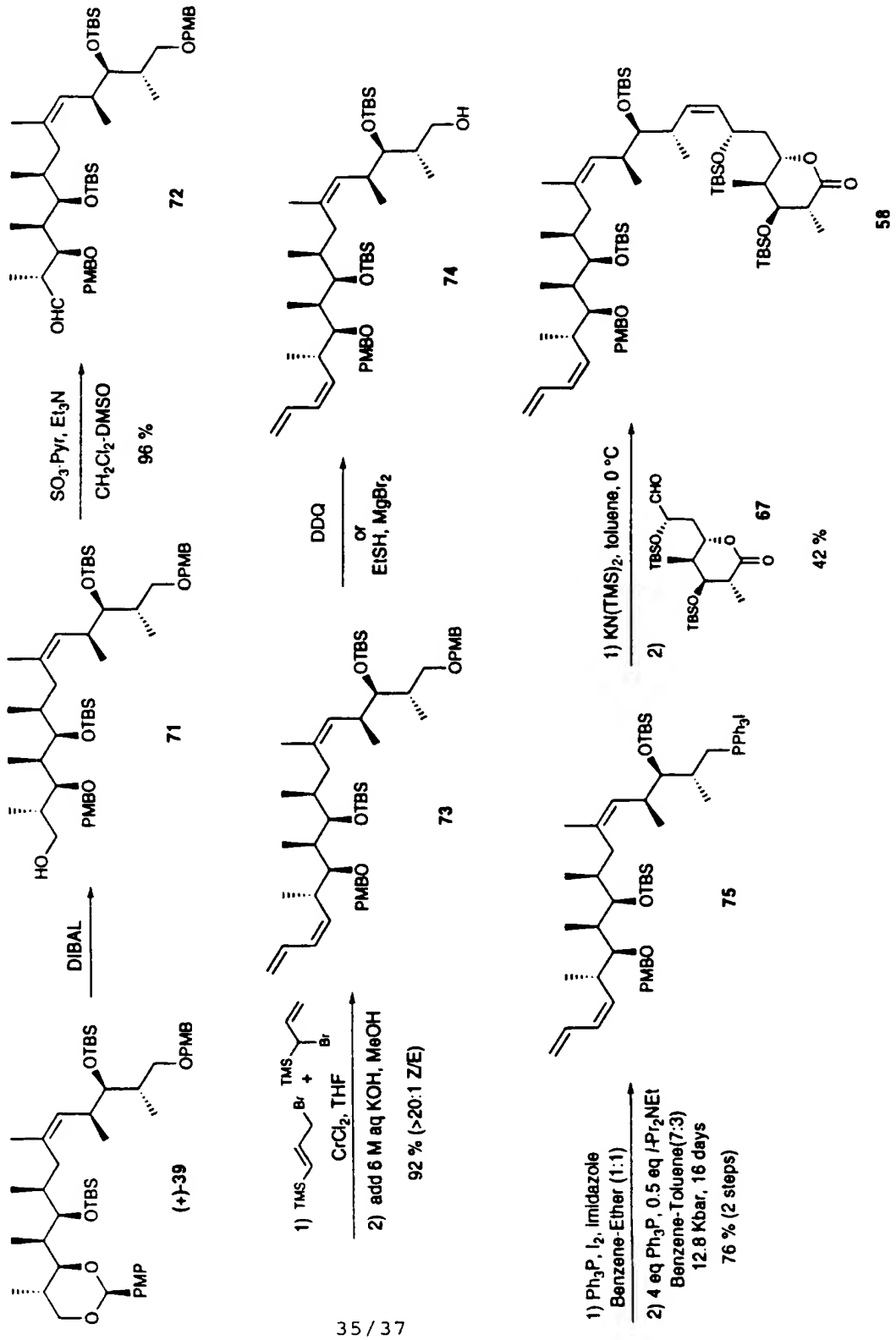

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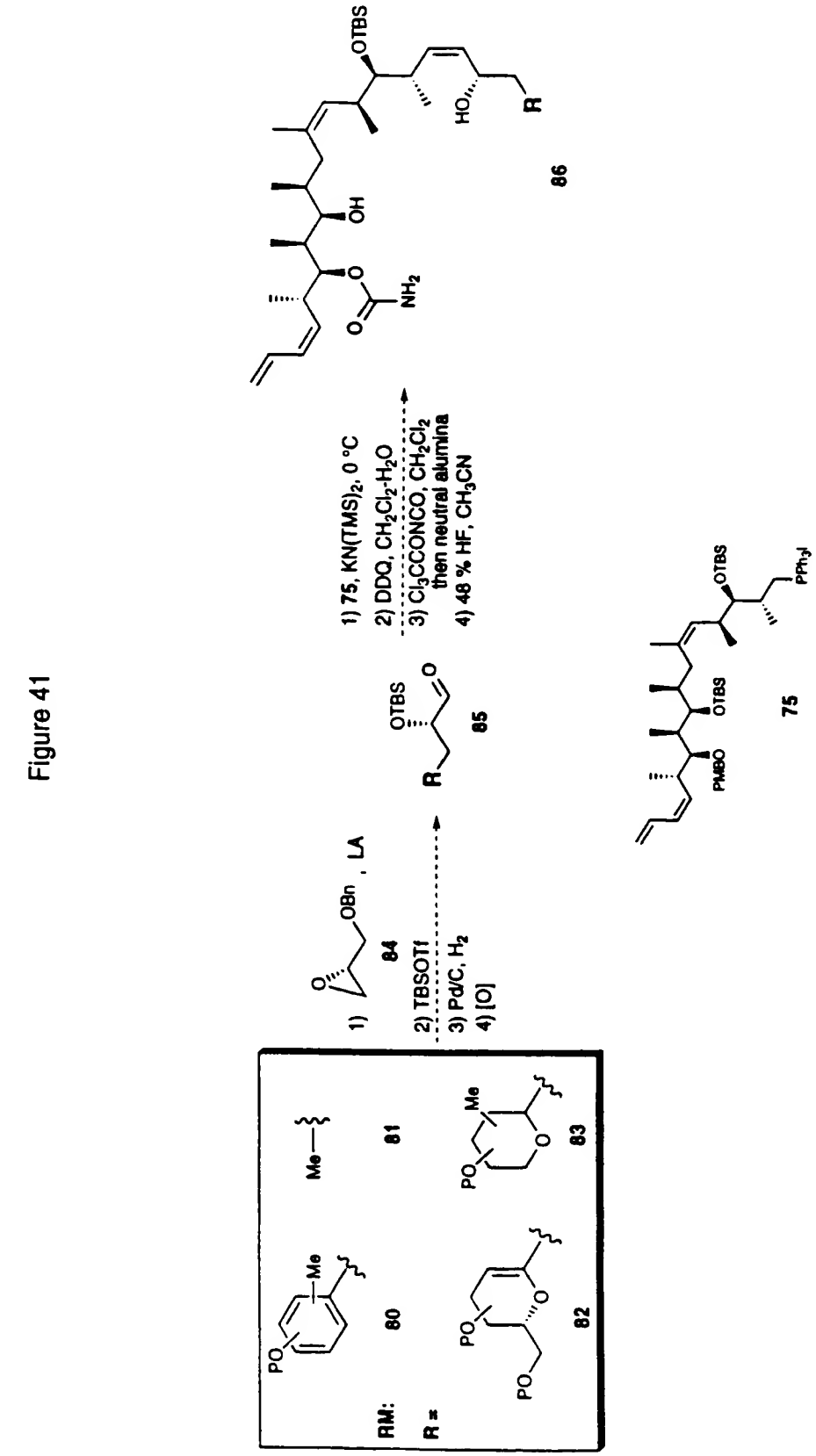

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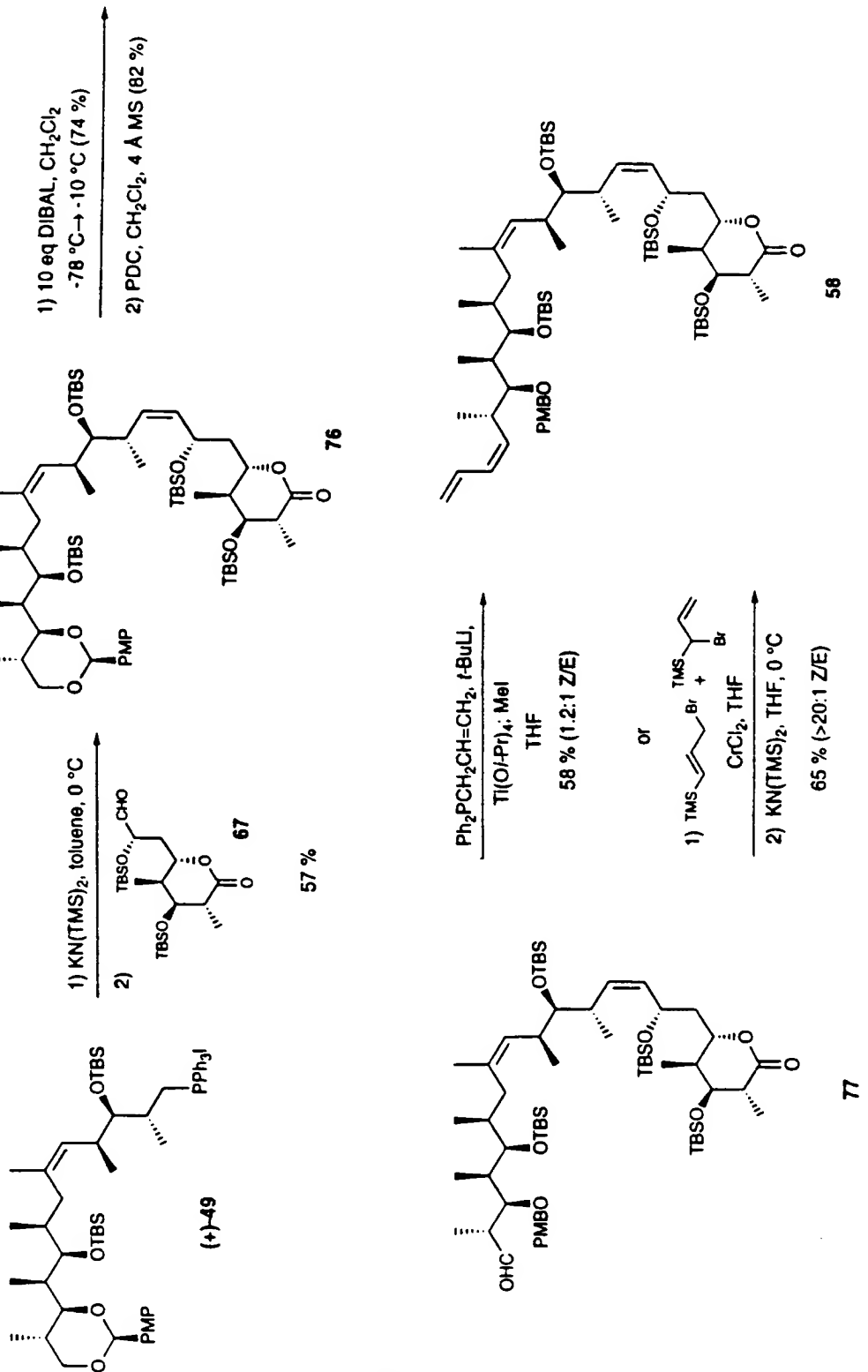

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